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WANG AND YADA NOT FINISHED

8½ HOURS' TALK

PROSPECT OF SINO-JAPANESE AGREEMENT

THE "MAJOR" POINTS CLEARED

Nanking, To-day.

It was generally expected that some agreement would be reached last evening at the conclusion of yesterday's proceedings in the conference between Dr. C. T. Wang (Chinese Foreign Minister) and Mr. S. Yada (Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai). Yesterday's talk lasted 8½ hours.

Although Dr. Wang and Mr. Yada reached some understanding on major points and in view of the great importance of the problems discussed, they both believe that another sitting is necessary. Therefore, they are meeting again to-day.

It is stated that the Hankow and Nanking incidents (as between China and Japan) have been practically settled, and that settlement of the Tsinan Incident is also probable on the understanding that an investigation committee be appointed to find out who started the trouble in Tsinan.

Highly Hopeful

The delegates had almost come to an understanding regarding the Tsinan Incident. Dr. C. T. Wang, interviewed by Reuter, stated that prospects of an early understanding and settlement of outstanding Sino-Japanese issues are highly hopeful, although much will depend on the attitude of the Japanese Imperial Government.

If an agreement is reached tomorrow, plenipotentiary delegates will shortly be appointed to enter into formal negotiations for the settlement of all outstanding issues between China and Japan.—Reuter.

SMUGGLING \$1

HEAVY FINE FOR BREACH OF PRISON REGULATIONS

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His Lordship imposed a fine of \$25 and ordered the \$1 to be confiscated.

BANISHEES

STATE WHY THEY RETURNED TO THE COLONY

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In the first case defendant, a coolie, 30 years of age, said that he had been arrested in Macao by the authorities and "banished to Hong Kong." He had been placed, against his will, on the s.s. "Wing On" and thus he arrived in the Colony.

The Magistrate said that he would allow the police time to inquire into defendant's statements. The case was accordingly adjourned for 48 hours.

In the second case, defendant related a similar tale. He had been deported for "being unemployed." This case was also adjourned to allow the police to make further inquiries.

PLIGHT OF RUSSIAN BONDHOLDERS

NEW COMMITTEE

INTERNATIONAL BODY TO PROVIDE SUITABLE MACHINERY

OPEN DISCUSSIONS

London, Yesterday.

The newly-formed International Committee for the Protection of Russian bondholders which deal exclusively with the Russian Government and Municipal obligations, held its inaugural meeting under the chairmanship of Lord Revelstoke.

The Associations represented decided to stand four-square in connection with any debt settlements with the Russian Government and to provide suitable machinery to open discussions with Russia at a suitable time.—Reuter.

THE NAVY PACT

TRENCHANT PRESS COMMENT ON DOCUMENT

MIXED RECEPTION

London, Yesterday.

The Foreign Office methods in connection with the Naval Limitation Pact find little appreciation in the Conservative press, and much lively criticism from the opposition. The "Morning Post" thinks that the charge of "secret diplomacy" against Britain and France is exploded, but the "Daily Mail" complains of the secrecy of the methods employed, and considers it a great misfortune that an agreement which might, with happier management, have done so much good, should have put the clock of disarmament so far back.

The "Daily Express" considers the Foreign Office's "naïve misunderstanding of all outside opinion and psychology was hardly surpassed by Germany in the days of the war," while the "Daily Telegraph" credits the Foreign Office with being animated by good intentions. On the other hand the "Daily Herald" has described the pact as a "Himalayan blunder."

The "Daily News" says that the general impression remains that Britain has seriously endangered Locarno by committing herself subtly but decisively to the French interests.

The "Daily Chronicle" is at a loss to understand how Britain and France selected terms which were known beforehand to be utterly repugnant and unacceptable to the United States. It asks if the concession to France about conscription must be regarded as irrevocable.

The "Times" finds the white paper "a decidedly prosaic document" and an "anticlimax," but suggests that as there is no deviation whatever in principle from the fixed course of British policy, there was no reason to suppose that the compromise would necessarily prove unacceptable to America. On the other hand France and Britain should have been more careful to prevent a misunderstanding.

The "Manchester Guardian" says that the all important question is whether the British Government is committed by the compromise. The journal considers that it is a scrap of paper, which should be dropped in the English Channel as swiftly as possible.

In Paris the "absolute good faith," "rigorous logic" and "purity of intention" of the British and French Governments is acclaimed by the Right Wing newspapers, while the Socialist organ, "Oeuvre," considers that despite some clumsiness on the part of Britain the negotiations were quite correct.

The Communist organ "Humanite" declares that the publication is a "striking indictment of imperialism."—Reuter.

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CITY NEAR SHANGHAI SACKED

JAILBIRDS LET OUT

GARRISON WIPED OUT BY 1,000 BANDITS

ORGY ENDS IN BLAZE OF FIRE

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Liyang, a city 60 miles west of Wush (the latter being a well-known flour centre near Shanghai), is reported to have been sacked by a thousand bandits on the evening of Oct. 21.

The bandits pillaged shops and houses. They released jailbirds and set the city afire with disastrous results.

The police and soldiers in the city put up strong resistance but, being outnumbered, they were wiped out.—Reuter.

U.S. SHIPPING

FIRST LOAN FROM CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

Washington, Yesterday.

The first loan from the Government's quarter of a milliard dollar Ship Construction Funds has been made by the Shipping Board to the Export Steamship Corporation of New York. It amounts to three quarters of the cost of building four combination passenger-cargo vessels to operate between New York and the Mediterranean ports.—Reuter's American Service.

U.S. NOVELIST

DIES SUDDENLY AT A LUNCHEON

New York, Yesterday.

The novelist, George Barr McCutcheon died while lunching with the Dutch Treaty Club.—Reuter.

EX-U.S. SENATOR

DEATH ANNOUNCED OF MR. CHARLES TOWNE

New York, Yesterday.

The death is announced of Mr. Charles Towne, formerly a United States Senator and once prominent in the oil industry.—Reuter's American Service.

FROM PERSIA

123 STUDENTS FOR FRENCH UNIVERSITIES

Paris, Yesterday.

123 Persian students have arrived to attend classes at the French universities.—Havas.

REUTER'S MAN

OBTAINS DECREE ABSOLUTE IN SHANGHAI

Mr. Herbert George Mende, local manager of Reuter's Commercial and Financial Service, according to advices from Shanghai, obtained a decree absolute in regard to the suit between himself and his wife, Natalia Mende, respondent. The decree absolute was pronounced by Judge G. W. King in H.B.M. Court on Friday last.

At the same time Judge King granted a decree absolute to William Hill Kimberley, petitioner, against Madeline Hill Kimberley, respondent.

Mr. C. G. Keen, of Messrs. Teesdale, Newman and McDonald appeared for the petitioner in each case.

GAMBLING CHARGE

FOUR CHINESE BEFORE THE COURT

Four Chinese appeared before Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, in answer to a charge of "keeping a gambling house at No. 579 Shanghai-street, Yau-mat," and also with "publishing certain lottery announcements of the Po Pui Lottery, on Oct. 5."

Mr. Hin-shing Lo, who appeared for all the defendants, entered a plea of "guilty" for the third defendant.

The rest pleaded "not guilty." Case proceeding.

MARSHAL LI LEAVING NANKING?

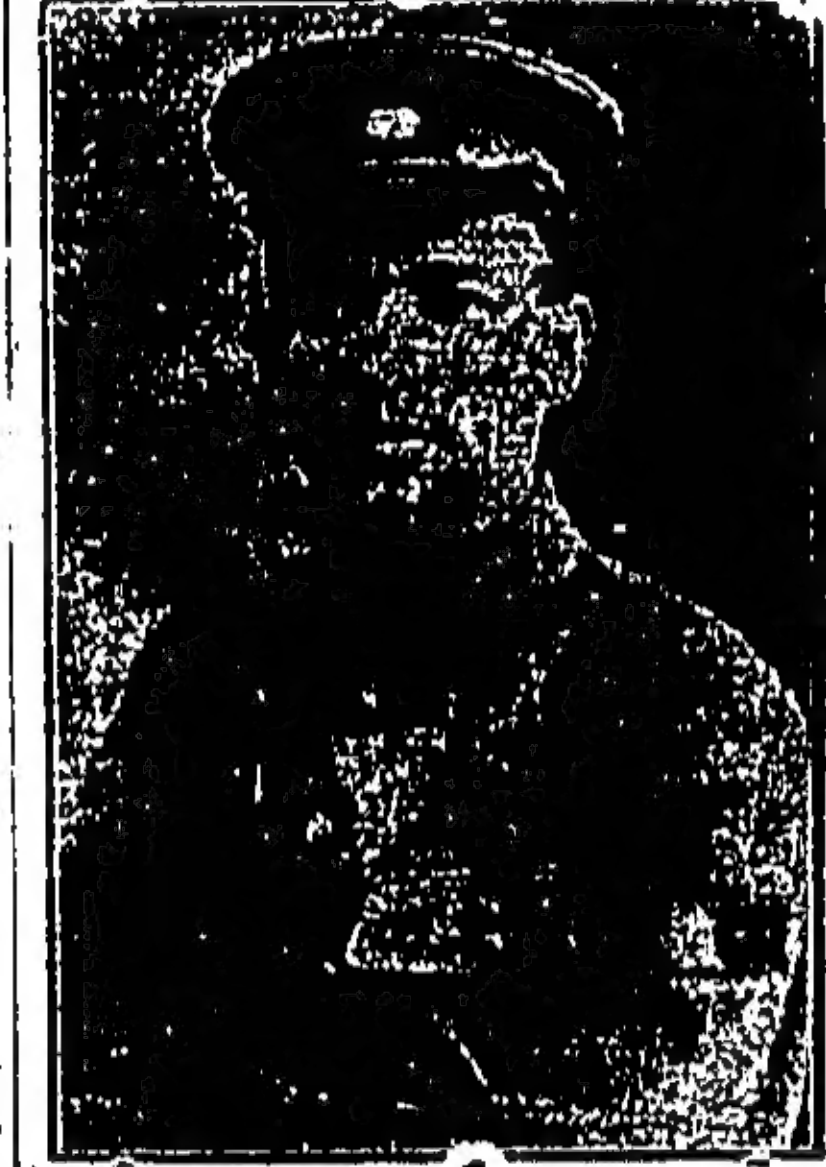
BACK IN A FEW DAYS

SIGNIFICANCE OF GEN. WONG'S ANNOUNCEMENT

DEVELOPMENTS IN CANTON

(From Our Political Correspondent.)

The fact that General Wong Shu-hung (Huang Chao-shung) has actually attended a meeting of the Kwangtung branch of the Nationalist Political Council is taken



General Wong Shu-hung, head of the Kwangtung Government.

In Canton to indicate that important developments are pending, very likely pointing to the early return from Nanking of Marshal Li Chai-sum.

Marshal Li has been absent from

NO CHANGE

N. E. winds, moderate, fine, in the forecast until noon tomorrow. An area of moderately high pressure extends from the lower Yangtze valley to N. Japan. Pressure is relatively low between the Visayas and the Ladrones.

The typhoon appears to be situated more than 800 miles E.S.E. of Manila, moving W. Fresh monsoon will continue along the S. E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

A cyclone or typhoon E. of Southern Luzon, direction unknown, was reported from Manila this morning.

Canton for much longer than was originally expected. And it will be recalled that much exception was taken to a premature announcement in a Hong Kong paper to the effect that General Wong Shu-hung had gone down from Wuchow (port of Kwangsi) to take charge



Marshal Li Chai-sum, head of the Kwangtung Government.

In Canton, when, in fact, General Wong had not arrived in Canton then.

This time General Wong has not only arrived but has also gone to the branch Political Council—the highest civil authority in Canton—the affairs of which had been shrouded in mystery owing to changes and departures. General Wong is quoted as having said that Marshal Li should be leaving the North in a few days on his way back to Canton.

GIGANTIC LINKING-UP SCHEME

AIR AND RAIL

SERVICE BETWEEN U.S.A. AND WEST INDIES

ALSO EXTENSION

New York, Yesterday.

A through Air and Railway Passenger Service between the United States and the West Indies is to be inaugurated on January 10 as the first step in the gigantic scheme of linking up North, Central and South America.

Trains will run daily from New York to Miami, and from whence in aeroplanes to Havana; thence other aeroplanes will proceed to Santiago de Cuba, Haiti, Santo Domingo and San Juan.

It is proposed later to extend the system from Central and South America to Tucumán in Argentina.—Reuter's American Service.

UNEMPLOYED

THE BRITISH FIGURES STILL INCREASING

London, Yesterday.

The weekly unemployment return again shows a slight increase. The total number of the unemployed is 1,821,000 being 1,494 more than a week ago and 249,904 more than there were a year ago.—British Wireless Service.

BELGIAN ROYALTY

MAKING A TRIP TO THE DUTCH EAST INDIES

Rotterdam, Yesterday.

According to present arrangements, Prince Leopold, the Crown Prince of Belgium, and his wife, Princess Astrid, will embark at Marseilles on November 23 for the Dutch East Indies aboard the s.s. "Insulinde."—Reuter.

DISCHARGED

SERIOUS ALLEGATION AGAINST TWO CHINESE

Two Chinese who were charged with receiving and harbouring a 15-year-old girl who had recently arrived from the country, were discharged by Mr. R. E. Lindell yesterday.

Mr. R. A. D. Forrest of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, prosecuting, withdrew the charge against one of the defendants as he had been considering the advisability of having him as a witness in the case against the other man.

Cheung Yee-mui, the girl in question, stated that she left her native village of Hau San, in the Heung-shan district, in order to seek for employment in Hong Kong. This she did without her parents' consent.

The second defendant was then discharged, as there was no evidence against him.

COLLISION

MOTOR BUS OVER TWO RICHSHAS

When a motor bus and two richshas collided yesterday afternoon in Salisbury-road, Kowloon, two Portuguese passengers, a man and a woman, were slightly injured.

The bus, which belonged to the China Motor Bus Co., was proceeding towards the Star Ferry when it collided with a richsha.

Caught by the projection of the back step-board of the bus, the richsha had its mudguard almost ripped off and, in turning over to one side, bowled over a second richsha which was travelling abreast of it.

The damage done to both richshas was estimated at about \$5. The coolies were slightly injured.

Mr. G. T. May, hon. treasurer of the H.K.F.A., returned from Home leave to-day.

William Corbett, aged 23, and John Squires, aged 24, said to be members of an expert gang of motor bandits, were at the Old Bailey sentenced to three years' penal servitude and 18 months' hard labour, respectively, for a "smash and grab" raid at a Plymouth jewellers' shop.

TERRIBLE CRUELTY IN NICARAGUA

VILLAGERS KILLED

WHAT INSURGENTS DID TO PREVENT VOTING

U.S. OFFICIAL REPORT

Washington, Yesterday.

Allegations of terrible atrocities by the followers of the Nicaraguan insurgent, General Sandino, are made by Brigadier General Frank McCoy, the American officer supervising the Nicaraguan elections.

The report to the State Department alleges that a band of insurgents killed the villagers of San Marcos on the night of October 11 adopting revolting cruelty with a view to terrorising the inhabitants, and prevent them from voting in the November elections.—Reuter's American Service.

'98 GOLD RUSH

MEETING OF 7 SURVIVORS AT THE TIVOLI

Seven men who took part in the famous gold rush to Klondike in '98 met in London recently.

They had been invited to see "The Trail of '98" at the Tivoli, and after the show they exchanged stories over drinks and cigars. Hundreds of men perished in the greatest and the most tragic trek for gold of the century; and these seven are a handful of the survivors.

"I was eighteen years of age, and a rancher in Vancouver, when the news of the gold 'strike' in Alaska was flashed across the world," said Captain E. R. Murphy.

"I was a miner in Kimberley, and nineteen at the time," said Mr. F. Roberts.

"I was about 25, and a shipping clerk in Liverpool," interpolated Mr. W. H. Chisholm.

"I was 22, and a working carpenter, when I heard of the gold find," said Mr. R. J. Ballard.

"I was a student, in my early twenties, of Christ Church College, Oxford, only recently up from Cheltenham," added Captain Victor Talbot.

One by one they recalled individual experiences, and some of them produced faded documents—the notices of location of "placer claims."

"The thing I best remember was when I went snow blind," said Captain Murphy. "It was six weeks before I recovered my sight. Afterwards I staked a claim on the big Salmon River, and was doing well until I was flooded out and lost everything."

"I fought my way through the White Pass and up the Skagway River with my handful of carpenter's tools," said Mr. Ballard, "and knowing nothing about gold-mining worked as a carpenter for a time. I was there in '98, and then came back before the winter drove in again, as it was plain there was no gold to be got without machinery."

Nature's Fortress.

Captain Talbot, taking up the story, said there were vast deposits of gold locked up in Nature's fortress in the Klondike—a fortress of impenetrable ice guarded by avalanche, flood, and storm, but it would never be won by man. Men of all ages, and even women, perished in the famous trek. They went on and on until a few of them got to the gold area. They found the ground frozen to a great depth. Some men, it is true, made a fortune. Thousands came back—or stayed there for ever.

"Owing to our fortune being at a low ebb, I decided to join the merry throng. That was Christmas, 1897. My companions from Vancouver up the Skagway were a Corsican count, Count Peraldi, and Mr. Fox, of Philadelphia. Peraldi and I sat over his corpse for days to prevent it being eaten by wild dogs, until we could get it back to Vancouver. I then started back again, this time with three horses, but they had to be destroyed. I myself went snow-blind, but was cured by Esquimaux in the native manner by putting ten poultices over the eyes. After a tremendous effort I got to Dawson City via Lake Le Barge, Lake Bennett, and Caribou Crossing, to the head of the Yukon River."

The captain paused in his story. "Well," he said, "I came back with a pocket of nuggets—yes, nuggets of gold—which my wife keeps as a part of her treasure."

THE ROYAL TOUR IN EAST AFRICA

UNLUCKY EVENT

GENERAL TROTTER SUFFERS FROM HEART TROUBLE

PRINCE'S SOLICITUDE

London, Yesterday.

General Trotter, groom-in-waiting to the Prince of Wales, and who was accompanying the Prince on his tour in East Africa, has had to leave the Prince owing to acute heart trouble.

General Trotter had a sudden attack and collapsed in the river boat "Lungard" while the party were crossing Lake Albert.

The Prince wired a message to be sent in the quickest possible way to Government House at Entebbe, and to Kampala for medical supplies.

Fortunately, an Indian telegraphist was working on the telegraph line close by and the Prince ordered him to tap the wire and get a message through without delay.

The message was delivered successfully and a relief party was immediately organised at Kampala.

Everything which might be required, including a surgeon, physician and nurses was packed into cars and rushed off on the 200 miles journey to Entebbe, the nearest point to the Royal party, which could be reached by road. The distance was covered in just over six hours, which was a record for the journey.

When the relief party reached the Royal camp they found the Prince sitting with General Trotter and that the immediate danger point had been passed. The Prince had watched over the patient during the night.

General Trotter was, however, considered too ill to continue the journey and was sent back slowly to Entebbe.—British Wireless Service.

STREET THEFT

MYSTERY OF A STOLEN FOUNTAIN PEN

For snatching a fountain pen from the breast pocket of Mr. F. H. Jewell, in Cochrane-street, a Chinese youth was this morning sentenced by Major C. Willson, O.B.E., to 48 hours detention and 12 strokes of the birch.

Mr. Jewell, who is a visitor from Shanghai, staying at the St. Francis Hotel, said that he and his wife were looking at the shops in Cochrane-street when he suddenly heard a click and, looking at his breast pocket, he found that his pen had gone. He seized the accused who happened to be nearest to him, but released him when he failed to find the pen. However, witness decided to watch the accused and, when the latter dodged into an alleyway, witness decided that he must be the culprit. Accordingly he again seized the youth and handed him over to a constable.

Mrs. Jewell said that when she looked round on hearing the click, she saw the accused quickly cross his arms. Then Mr. Jewell seized him but no trace of the pen could be found.

MEAN THEFT

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A souvenir. But there was no gold to be got there without machinery, and the machinery has not yet been created which can blast a way into that fortress of gold—and ice.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on **MONDAY**, the 29th day of October, 1923, at 8 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of Crown Land at Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Lots	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Acres	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	At Shamshui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.	2.150	14	1,500

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UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

**THE EASTERN EXTENSION
AUSTRALASIA & CHINA
TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.**

The following unclaimed telegram is lying in the E. E. Telegraph Co. office, Hong Kong:—
Patel Company, King's Building,
from Madras.

E. A. LEGGATT,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 18th October, 1923.

**THE GREAT NORTHERN
TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.,
OF DENMARK.**

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) of Denmark:—
Martin, Hong Kong Hotel, from Batangas.
Potuol, from Shanghai.
The South China Trading Co., from Osaka.
S. L. Houton and Co., from Berlin.
Malmichi, from Osaka.
Jubilant, from Shanghai.
Nobron, 7, Middle Road, Kowloon, from Tientsin.
Elkwa, from Yokohama.

E. V. JESSEN,
Superintendent.
Hong Kong, 18th Oct., 1923.

NOTICES.

**MACAO CHARITY AND
COMMERCIAL FAIR.**

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE cordially requests the pleasure of the presence of the general public at the Inaugural Ceremony of the Fair on **SATURDAY**, 3rd November, 1923, at 9 p.m.

COL. DUARTE-VEIGA,
Chairman.
23rd Oct., 1923.

**THE ROYAL HONG KONG
YACHT CLUB**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS** will be held at the Club House, North Point, on **WEDNESDAY**, the 31st day of October, 1923, at 5.45 p.m.

BUSINESS:

- (1) To receive the Reports and Accounts for the period ended 31st August, 1923.
- (2) To elect Officers for the ensuing year and other General Business.

By Order of the General Committee,
R. J. VERNALL,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 22nd Oct., 1923.

MACAO RACES.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms for the GYMKHANA RACE MEETING

to be held on
SUNDAY, 4th November, 1923.
(Weather Permitting) may be obtained from the L.R.R.C., Macao, Causeway Bay Stables and Roxor Advertising Co.
Entries CLOSE at Macao 2.30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, 24th October, 1923.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.**NOTICE.**

THE HALF YEARLY GENERAL MEETING of Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hong Kong Club Annex, on **FRIDAY, 26th October, 1923, at 5.15 p.m.**

By Order,
H. R. FORSYTH,
Acting Secretary.
Hong Kong, 12th October, 1923.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the **SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING** to be held on **SATURDAY, 10th November, 1923** (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club, and Causeway Bay Stables.
Entries will CLOSE at 12 o'clock noon on **WEDNESDAY, 31st October, 1923.**
Hong Kong, 19th Oct., 1923.

NOTICE.

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Hong Kong, 1st Sept., 1923.

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SPANISH MYSTERY

**"THOUSANDS OF ARRESTS" IN
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GOVERNMENT TRIUMPH

Mystery surrounds the plot which is said to have been recently discovered in Spain, directed against General Primo de Rivera, which has led to numerous arrests in the North of the Peninsula.

A telegram from Madrid says that a semi-official statement says "Complete calm reigns in the capital and throughout the country."

One the other hand, information has reached Paris, according to the Central News, despite the strictness of the censorship on the other side of the frontier.

There seems to be no doubt, says the telegram, that a plot against General Primo de Rivera has been discovered, and that the number of arrests runs into thousands. The police have been most active in Barcelona, Saragossa, Bilbao, and Valencia; and in each of these cities hundreds of suspected persons are in custody.

Among the alleged conspirators arrested are a number of soldiers and Republican leaders. Brigadier-General Lopez Archa, one of the Dictator's opponents, is reported to be under arrest at Barcelona, and General Gironde was arrested at Valencia.

None of the reports from the frontier speaks of any actual outbreak, and the situation is said to be well in hand.

A despatch published in the Paris "Journal" states that the streets of Madrid were alive with taxicabs, requisitioned by the police, who used them for the purpose of making arrests, and by nine a.m. 200 had been made.

The plot was definitely of a revolutionary nature. It was planned to distribute agitators amongst the 10,000 members of the Patriotic Union who were concentrating on the capital to celebrate the anniversary of the de Rivera dictatorship. The object was to overthrow the members of the Directory and summarily deport them. A general strike was to have been declared through the country.

The movement fell through, and the Government is master of the situation.



Grand Duke Alexander of Russia, who claimed to be in communication with the dead Czar of Russia and other members of his family. He spent a brief vacation at Biarritz, the society summer resort of France.

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OWNERS' REPORT

The eighth annual report of the
British Sailing Ship Owners' Association, which will be laid before the
ninth annual meeting of the Association, to be held on December 4
next, shows that out of a total sailing
ship tonnage in the world of
1,029,000 tons, excluding barges and
similar craft, only 18,400 tons are
owned in the British Isles. The
Association itself has a membership
of 664 ships of 51,905 net tons be-
longing to 343 owners.

The report states that during the
year ended June 30, 1928, Lloyd's
Register records a decrease in the
world tonnage of sailing ships of
100 tons gross and over, excluding
those fitted with auxiliary engines,
of 130,362 gross tons, but it is in-
teresting to note that the decrease
in sailing ship tonnage during these
twelve months was not so great as
the decrease during the twelve
months ended June 30, 1927, when
the corresponding figure was 185-
825 gross tons. The total world
tonnage of sailing vessels of 100
tons gross and over, excluding those
with auxiliary power recorded on
Lloyd's Register at June 30, 1928,
was 1,795,246.

The resolution passed at the last
annual meeting of the association
deprecating the action of certain
dock and harbour authorities in
adopting a practice of issuing in a
general way notices disclaiming
responsibility for the condition of
their berths, has received the strong
support of the Chamber of Shipping.
It is to be regretted that notwith-
standing the urgent representations of
shipowners, the Ministry of
Transport should, so far have felt
unable to intervene in the matter.
Affecting as the subject does the
safety of ships, their crews and
cargo, the association confidently
hopes that as the result of the fur-
ther representations which will be
made to the Ministry, through the
Chamber of Shipping, steps will
be taken to urge the authorities
concerned to reconsider their atti-
tude.

Charter-Parties

Realising that definite benefits
have been derived by sailing ship
owners from those agreed coasting
sailing ship charters, viz., the
"Mersail," "Coastcon Sailer," and
"Cemencesail," in the negotiations
of which the association took part
through the Chamber of Shipping,
and believing that the improve-
ment of charter-parties is one of
the most important functions of the
association, the committee desire,
as soon as favourable opportunities
arise, to urge the consideration of
agreed charters for other trades,
more especially the pitch and clay
trades. Members will appreciate,
however, that the power of ship-
owners to secure and obtain the
full benefit of agreed documents
must be in direct relationship to
the completeness of its documentary
organisation, and support given to
it. The committee, therefore,
earnestly hope that members will
wholeheartedly support their clubs,
so that the clubs in turn may give
full support to the Documentary
Committee of the Chamber, and
thus before urging the preparation
or revision of a charter-party, the
association can feel assured that
when issued by the Documentary
Committee and adopted by the clubs,
it will be used by every owner.

The Cork Harbour Commis-
sioners, having dropped their Bill,
introduced in the Irish Free State
Parliament in 1927, seeking per-
manent increased charging powers,
have applied to the Ministry of
Industry and Commerce of the Irish
Free State, for temporary increased
charging powers under the tempo-
rary acts. The application is being
opposed by the various shipping in-
terests, and has been referred to
the Rates Advisory Board for con-
sideration. The committee feel
some anxiety lest any increased
charging powers, which may be
secured by the commissioners, will
result in the dues on sailing vessels
being raised, and are taking such
action as seems most desirable and
appropriate in the interests of
members.

While the association has record-
ed modifications in the rates and
dues at the Humber, Liverpool,
Tyne and Waterford, there has been
little change in the level of port
charges throughout the country. It
is to be expected, however, that the
relief to be granted to dock and
harbour authorities under the Gov-
ernment de-rating scheme, will re-
sult in a reduction in port charges,
and whether and to what extent
sailing ship owners in particular
will benefit, it is yet too early to
know.

Pilotage Rates and Helm Orders.
During the year under review a
10 per cent reduction has been made
in the pilotage rates. Proposals for re-
ducing the rates at Bristol, the
Clyde, Cork, Liverpool and Llanelli
are also under consideration. Fol-
lowing representations of the Board
of Trade and the promoters agreed to
amend a new pilotage order for the
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ing that if and when a pilotage
committee is appointed on which
pilots are represented, shipowners
will be given direct representation.

The association is particularly in-
debted to Mr. A. H. Holman for the
special attention he gave to the in-
terests of sailing ship owners dur-
ing the consideration of the pro-
posals by the British Committee.
The report of the British Committee
served as a basis for the discussion
by the International Shipping Con-
ference Committee, whose report
was later adopted by the full con-
ference. The recommendation of
the conference with regard to helm
orders is deserving of particular
mention. The conference unani-
mously recommended that uni-
formity of practice should be
established by the international
adoption of the words "left" and
"right," or their ordinary national
equivalents to be used as direct
orders indicating the direction the
ship's head should take. The com-
mittee feel that there is much to
be said for the proposed change in
giving helm orders, provided the
words "port" and "starboard" are
not used, and sees no objection to
the use of the words "right" and
"left."

An Act of Parliament entitled the
Merchant Shipping (Line-Throw-
ing Appliance) Act, 1928, was
passed during the recent session of
Parliament, under which the Board
of Trade are empowered to make
rules for the carriage of line-
throwing appliances by British
ships. The Board of Trade was
advised on behalf of the associa-
tion that the British sea-going sail-
ing ships now on the register were
small vessels, largely barges, which
have no accommodation for gear of
this kind; that owing to the fact
that such vessels draw so little
water they are so close to the shore
when in trouble that a line-throw-
ing appliance would be of no value,
and the cost would be dispropor-
tionate and constitute a useless
burden in an already distressed
trade. The association was assured
that it was not the intention of the
Board to require all ships, irrespec-
tive of size and trade, to be com-
pelled to carry such an appliance,
and it is to be expected that vessels
under 500 tons gross will not be
required to do so.

Attention having been drawn to
a suggestion made for the closing
of the Custom House at Penryn, ap-
propriate representations were made
to the Board of Customs and Ex-
cise, urging that careful and serious
consideration be given to the sub-
ject, before any action was definite-
ly taken, as the absence of the
Custom House at Penryn would
result in inconvenience to small
craft using the port. It is satisfac-
tory to record that following these
representations, and on further con-
sideration the Commissioners of
Customs decided not to interfere
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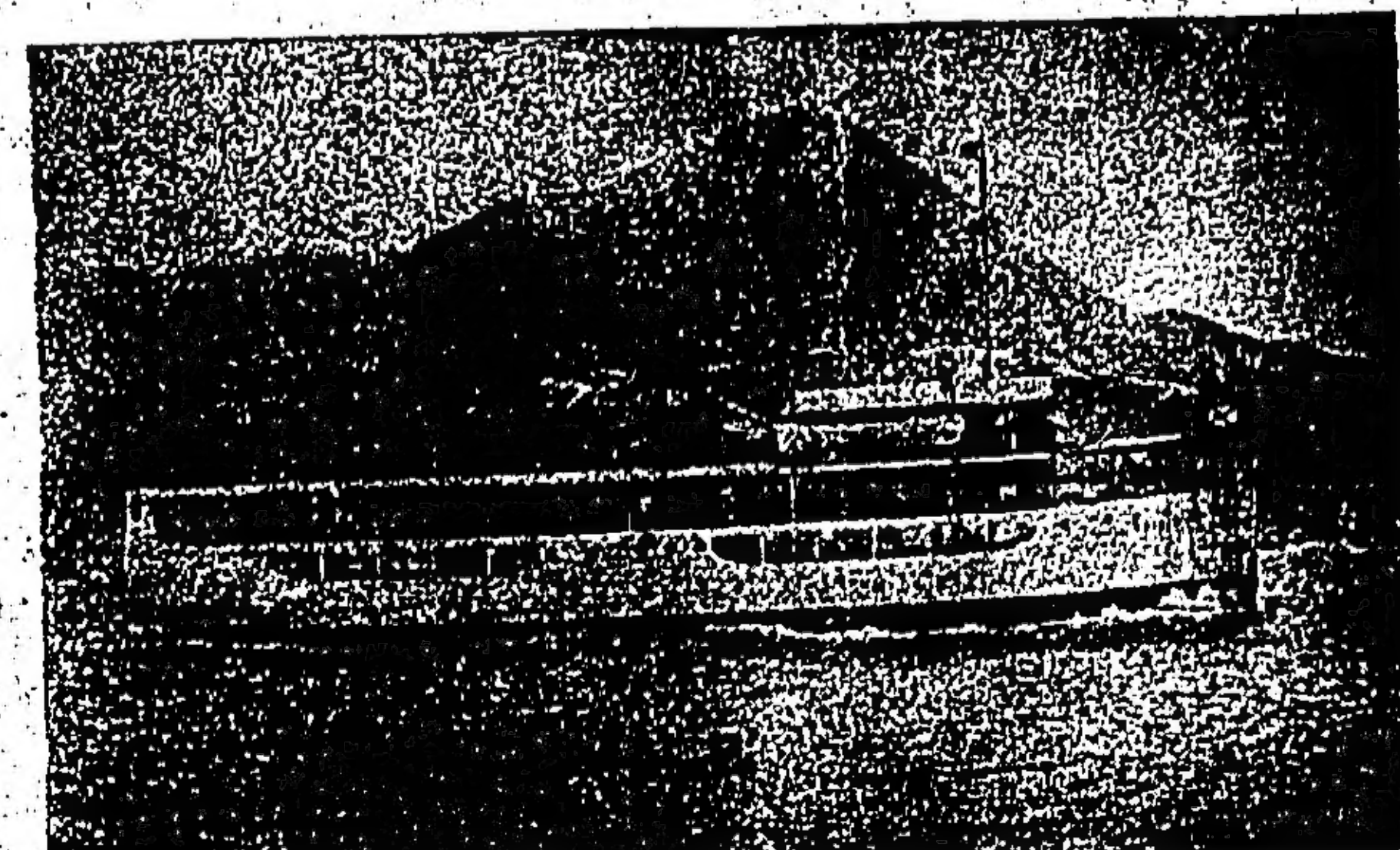
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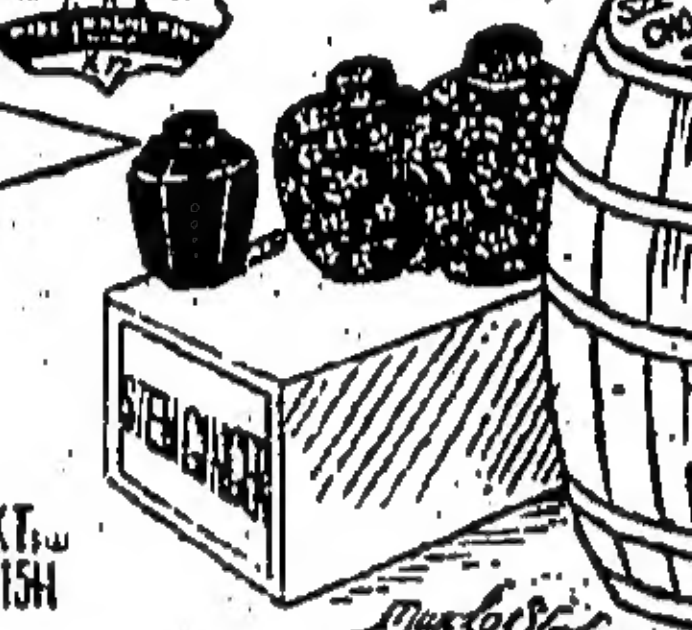
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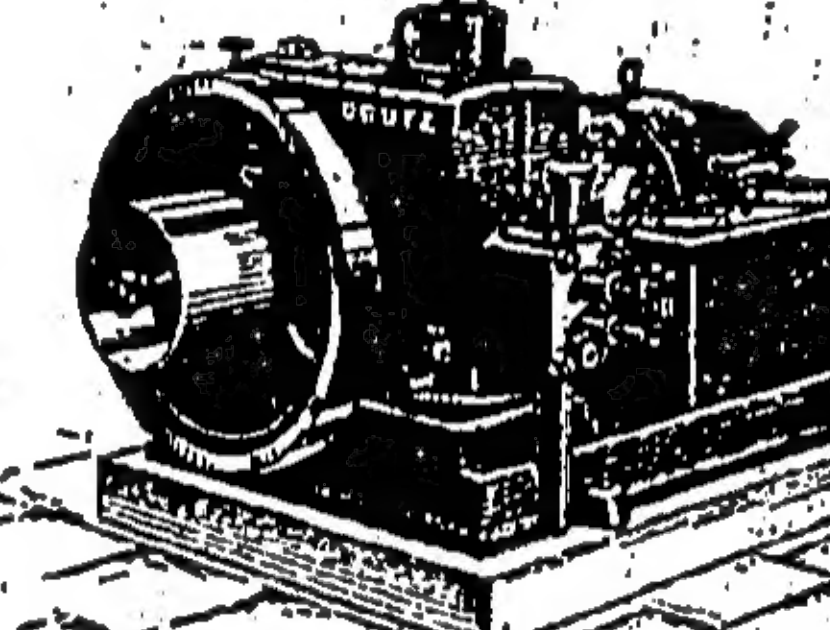
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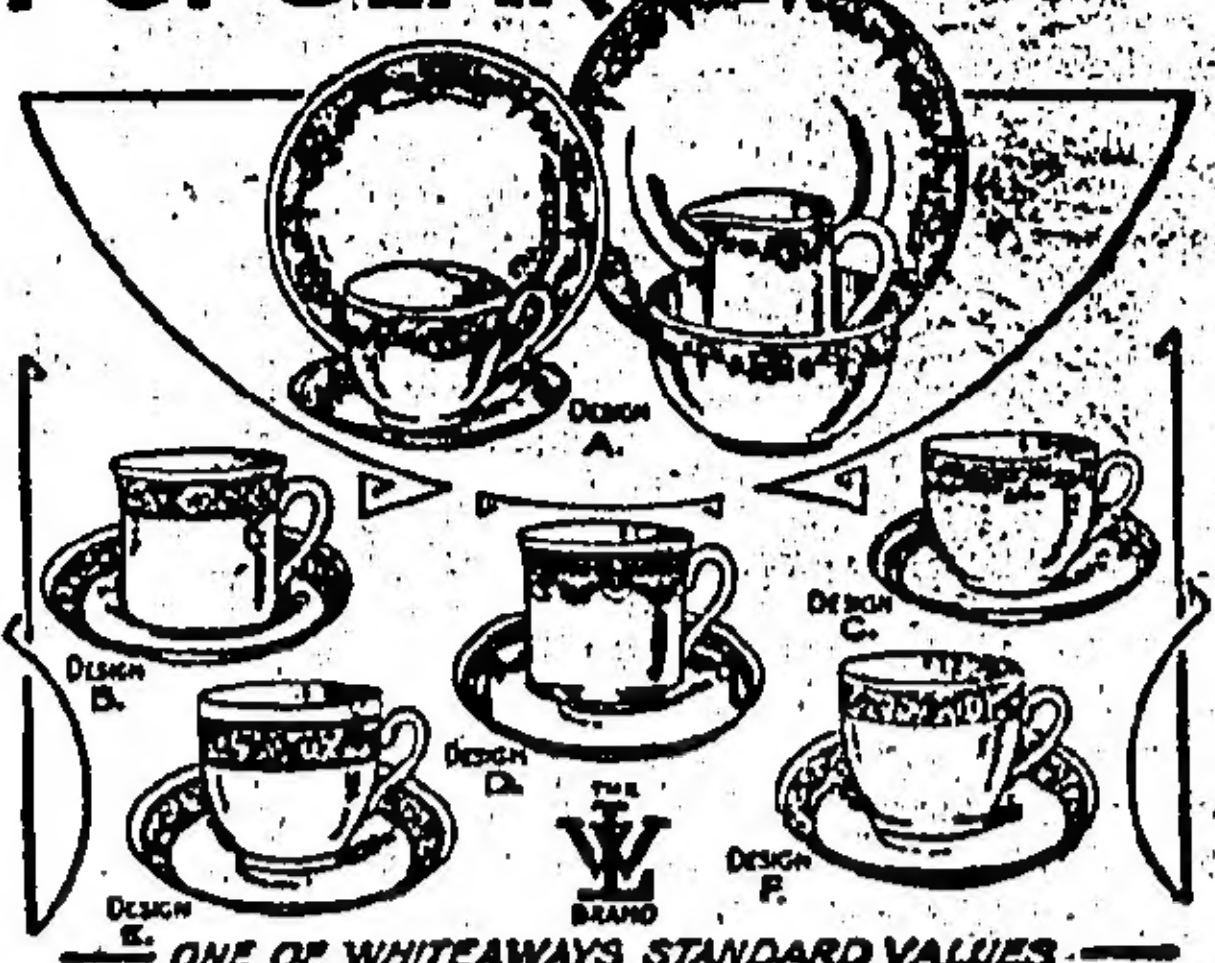


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Remedios age 6.

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or out of England, deserve to be
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regularly than does St. Dunstan's,
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blinded soldiers, sailors and air-
men. "St. Dunstan's" is one of
the legacies of the great strug-
gle, one of which it is the
bounden duty—even the sacred
duty—of all of us to help forward
in every way in our power. The
13th annual report of St.
Dunstan's is to hand and from its
comprehensive statement of the
activities of those responsible for
the maintenance of the institu-
tion we learn much that is very
interesting and not a little that is
profoundly moving. "The family
of St. Dunstan's," we read, "num-
bers 1,905 officers, N.C.O.'s and
men blinded in the war and 4,900
wives and children. These fami-
lies are settled in their own homes
in almost every part of the Bri-
tish Empire, in numbers more or
less proportionate to the Euro-
pean population of the United
Kingdom, Dominions and
Colonies." These are among the
essential facts relative to St.
Dunstan's, but there is, of course,
much more to be mentioned of an
institution whose annual expendi-
ture last year totalled the large
sum of \$171,882 13s. 8d. We now
come to the all-important point in

thus calling special attention to
"St. Dunstan's," for it must be
obvious to all that an expendi-
ture "running into six figures"
calls for all the thoughtful help
and kindly charitable assistance
that can possibly be forthcoming.
Despite the generosity of indi-
viduals and the public the institu-
tion is far from being financially
independent. Last year's income
of \$166,408 13s. 2d., included in-
come from investments, but it
also included the total subscrip-
tions given which, as in previous
years and of necessity, amount
to a very large sum as will be
readily understood when it is
mentioned that the substantial
sum of \$5,479 0s. 6d. was spent
over and above the large sum re-
ceived. In other words, and more
precisely, the total expenditure
was \$171,882 13s. 8d. The report
states that actuarial calculation
shows that an income of \$145,000
(which was the amount estimated
for last year) over a period of
fifteen years would enable St.
Dunstan's to carry on their excel-
lent and noble work and set aside
a sinking fund which would endow
the institution.

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ject of the influential body who
look after the welfare of their
blinded charges and the unfortu-
nate men's families, and shows
convincingly the need for con-
tinued effort towards enlisting the
financial support and the sym-
pathy of the public generally. Never
was there a more deserving cause
and never were subscriptions,
large or small, put to a
better use and more carefully
applied.

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stitution is very highly appre-
ciated we in Hong Kong have had
many indications. Quite recent-
ly the "China Mail" published
letters from St. Dunstan's offi-
cials with reference to the sum re-
ceived by them as the result of
our local charity football matches
played for the "Hong Kong
Sunday Herald Cup." And the
Amateur Dramatic Societies both
here and elsewhere in the Far
East have also frequently been
assured of the gratitude felt for
their efforts on behalf of the in-
stitution. We shall in other
issues of the "China Mail" give
extracts from the report to hand
from which it will be further seen
that St. Dunstan's continues its
great work in a spirit of high
purpose and admirable efficiency.
Meanwhile, we take the opportu-
nity to state that the public gen-
erally could not do better than
continue with the good work
when the opportunity comes to
them. We repeat, never was
money given in a better cause.

The condition of Mr. A. Hevey
of the Gas Co. is still rather seri-
ous, the "China Mail" learned on
enquiry to-day, he having fractur-
ed his skull and a collar-bone in
a fall.

Mrs. Skinner, wife of Colonel
R. B. Skinner, O.B.E., Chief
Engineer, South China Command,
is due to arrive in Hong Kong to-
day from England by the trans-
port "Dorsetshire."

Police Sergeant McLeod charg-
ed a coolie, before Major C. Wil-
son this morning, with cruelty to
a kitten by trying to strangle it
in Stanley-street. The Magistrate
imposed a fine of \$5.

We are in receipt of a handy
blotting paper booklet from Mr.
H. J. Lamb, 4A, Des Vaux-road,
Central, agent of Arthur and
Company, Ltd., piece goods manu-
facturers of Glasgow London, and
Leeds.

The captain of the s.s. "Pre-
sident Jackson" reports to the
police that a seaman of the ship,
named Laurence C. O'Sullivan
(22), a native of Ireland, has
been missing since 11 p.m. on
October 22.

Two unemployed Chinese were
charged, before Mr. W. Schofield
at the Kowloon Magistracy yester-
day, with stealing a liquid com-
pass from the s.s. "Kalgan" on
Oct. 1. Defendants were remand-
ed for three days.

Mr. A. T. Bates, living at No.
29, Jordan-road, Kowloon, re-
ported to the police that some time
between 8 p.m. on Monday and 8
a.m. yesterday, someone stole
from his bedroom a quantity of
jewellery worth \$145.

The Concert to be held at the
Helena May Institute to-morrow
(Thursday) has had to be post-
poned owing to the illness of Mr.
Jargreaves-Browne. Tickets may
be returned or used for this Con-
cert at a later date.—Adv.

A Chinese woman, Lai Yu (28)
and her son and daughter, aged
two and six years, respectively,
were yesterday removed to the
Kwang Wah Hospital from No.
119, Keelung-street, suffering
from poison through eating bad
fish.

No change is reported in the
position of the China Navigation
Co.'s s.s. "Kwangse" which went
aground off Ping Rock, between
Amoy and Foochow. H.M.S.
"Bruce," the s.s. "Chinkiang" and
the Taihook Dock tug are standing
by. A decision may be arrived at
to-day.

Leung Yee (37) a boatwoman
on passenger boat A-1811-V at-
tempted to commit suicide yester-
day afternoon, by cutting her
throat with a razor, on board her
boat then made fast alongside a
Japanese vessel at No. 2 buoy.
She is now in the Government
Civil Hospital in a serious condi-
tion.

At the Kowloon Magistracy
this morning, Mr. W. Schofield
sentenced a Chinese to 2 months'
hard labour for the theft of a
quantity of clothing from No. 20
Hamilton-street, Yau-mat. The
theft took place at 4.30 this morn-
ing, defendant being arrested
later in the street with the cloth-
ing in his possession.

Chan Kam-mui, mistress of
saman No. 5569-A, reports to
the police that while she was
asleep on board between 12.30
and 9.30 a.m. yesterday, someone
stole from her right wrist a gold
bracelet consisting of six English
half sovereigns, worth \$40. The
only other persons on the sampan
during the night were two male
foks. Both have been detained
by the police.

Mr. C. F. Wolsifer, a director
of the British-American Tobacco
Co., travelling to Shanghai and
Japan, Mr. H. J. Jensen, connect-
ed with Messrs. Jensen & Co.,
travelling to Shanghai, and Mr.
C. B. Shank one of the principals
of the Hong Kong Pile Driving
and Excavation Co., travelling to
Shanghai, were aboard the "Pre-
sident Pierce" which left here
yesterday.

Judgment for plaintiffs for
\$182.10 with costs was given in
the Summary Court this morning
for the Shing Hing firm, carpent-
ers of No. 41, Gough-street,
against the Li Cheung firm, No.
176, Wellington-street. Plaintiffs
sued defendants as transferees of
the business of the Tung On firm,
doing so under the Fraudulent
Transfer of Business Ordinance
of 1923. The Tung On firm was
also mentioned as defendants (for
work done and materials supplied,
\$182.10) but was not served with
a writ. The Li Cheung firm was
alleged to have taken over the
assets of the Tung On, without
infringing the liabilities, and that
the transaction was completed in a
sight when the paint on a sign-
board was changed. Mr. C. A. S.
Russ was for plaintiffs.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MRS. EDDY AND DRUGS: A REPLY

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Kindly permit me to re-
fer to the letter which appeared in
your correspondence column
last night, under the heading of
Mrs. Eddy and Drugs.

Jesus' words, "Ye are of your
father the devil, and the lusts of
your father ye will do. He was a
murderer from the beginning, and
hath not in the truth, because
there is no truth in him. When
he speaketh a lie, he speaketh
of his own: for he is a liar, and
the father of it," apply very forcibly
to the statements made in that
letter. It will be seen that the
source of these false assertions,
rests on no firmer basis than that
they are said to have been obtain-
ed from certain so-called secre-
taries or students of Mrs. Eddy.
In one statement, use is made of
the name of Mr. Adam H. Dickey,
who was a prominent member of
the Christian Science movement,
but Mr. Dickey passed on some
time ago, and anything alleged to
have been said by him could not
be verified.

All friends of Christian
Science will realise that this is
just another ruthless but futile
attack on the Christian Science
organisation as founded by Mrs.
Eddy, and they have a right to
know that the unscrupulous
methods now being used, are
doomed to failure.

The truth about Mrs. Eddy's
life may be found in an authentic
biography entitled, "The Life of
Mary Baker Eddy" by Sybil Wil-
bur. From this book it may be
seen that in the early part of her
life, Mrs. Eddy was a constant in-
valid. She was continually under
the care of doctors and for years
she tried practically every avail-
able means to secure permanent
health, but without success. Finally
she met with an accident, which
her physician deemed would prove
fatal, but she was instantaneously
healed whilst reading the account
of the healing, in Matthew IX, of the
man "sick of the palsy." Following
this experience, she devoted the next
three years of her life to the
earnest study of the Bible, until
she gained sufficient of its spiri-
tual meaning to enable her to
heal the sick and reform the sin-
ner. The Bible was her only text-
book. Now it will be admitted by
all fair-minded individuals, that
one who was healed by the power
of God and who later healed many
others by the same divine power,
would never be compelled to later
rely on drugs.

However, former members of
the Christian Science movement,
who are engaged in relentless but
senseless attacks on the organisa-
tion as founded by Mrs. Eddy, are
vainly endeavouring to represent
that Christian Science and medi-
cine, should co-operate. But this is
impossible because Mrs. Eddy
has based her teachings solely on
the Bible. So, in order to provide
a reason for their theories, some
of those who have departed from
Mrs. Eddy's teachings, are now
alleging that she was latterly com-
pelled to take drugs. The statements
made in the letter published last
night appear to have approached the
extreme of aggression and self-
will. That they are totally un-
true, remains to be seen.

It may be pointed out that Mr.
Dittmore, one of the signatories
of the above mentioned letter,
was compelled to withdraw from
the Christian Science organisation
some years ago and has since
been one of its most bitter oppo-
nents.

Since Mrs. Eddy established
her Church, it has withstood
many invasions, and they all,
without exception, have failed to
stand the test of time.

In order to prevent any mis-
understanding amongst your
readers, kindly permit me to add
that the article which appeared in
your news columns last night,
under the caption of "A Revolution,
Christian Scientists and Doc-
tors," has absolutely no connec-
tion with the Christian Science
movement as founded by Mary
Baker Eddy. As far as genuine
Christian Scientists are concerned
the proposals are impossible since
Mrs. Eddy writes on page 456 of
the Christian Science text-book,
"Science and Health with Key to
the Scriptures," "Whoever
affirms that there is more than
one Principle and method of de-
monstrating Christian Science
greatly errs, ignorantly or inten-
tionally, and separates himself
from the true conception of Chris-
tian Science healing and from its
possible demonstration."

Yours, etc.
W. H. ALLEN,
Christian Science Committee
on Publication,
Hong Kong, Oct. 24.

COUNT THE "MAILS."

See Page 3.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

Under the moonlight they sat.
She, a sweet young thing, and her
latest "catch," a poor, gasping
fish, who, she assured herself,
was almost landed. And with the
breeze whispering in the peapods
they talked of many things, of
life and laughter, and, very ten-
aciously, of love!

Shyly he drew forth a little
square box, after the manner of
those in which jeweller's goods
are housed. "Darling," he stan-
dered forth, "I have here—a
little present which I hope
you will accept, a little
mark of my esteem. I—I
hope it will fit your finger. I—I
didn't know the size."

And then her heart sank
within her.

"Sweetest," she crooned, "this
is so sudden."

And, blushing, he drew forth—
a silver thimble.

Whereat the air grew very,
very much cooler.

It was the last match of the
season. The two village cricket
teams were opposing each other.
The home team won the toss, and
elected to bat. Off the first de-
livery one of the batsmen was
bowled. As he returned to the
pavilion, his wife exclaimed, sym-
pathetically:
"Never mind; ducky!"

The young salesman placed his
sample case on the porch and be-
gan gaily:

"How do you do? I should like
to introduce you to our new cor-
razor."

"You needn't waste your time,"
replied the farmer sharply.
"An' what's more, young feller,
that smart city slang won't get
you very far in these parts. The
next farm you stop at you'd
better call a scythe a scythe."

The Boy Scout proudly an-
nounced at the breakfast table
that he had already done his
"good turn" for that day.

"You've been early at it this
morning," said his father.
"Oh, yes," was the reply, "but
it was quite easy. Old Mr. and
Mrs. Smith were on their way to
get the 7.30 train and they were
afraid they would miss it, so I
let the bulldog loose and they ar-
rived at the station just on time."

It was a broiling hot day and
the tram conductor, having a full
load on his car, was not exactly
in the mood to deal with passen-
gers asking unreasonable or silly
questions. At a certain point a
fussy lady with an angry look on
her face rose to alight. Brandish-
ing an umbrella in the poor con-
ductor's face, she yelled: "Stop
the car at once! Why didn't you
tell me I had passed the fare
stage?"

"Well, ma'am," replied the
harassed man, "I should say you
passed the 'fair' stage about
twenty years ago—or else you
never reached it!"

"She told John that she loved
him, and that soon she'd be
his wife."

And just to prove that what
she said was true.

When business called him from
the town she wrote him
every day.

And underlined—"My heart be-
longs to you!"

"That your dear heart should be
my own is hard to realise,"
John would reply. "Your trust
you'll never lose!"

And she would write him "once
again in words that lovers
use."

And underlined—"My heart be-
longs to you!"

Alas! he had a rival, and through
him they had a tiff.

And grey clouds blotted out the
skies of blue.

And John received a letter, tell-
ing him she'd changed her
mind.

And she underlined—"My
heart belongs to Hugh!"

"Up."

"Yes, my son."

"What kind of wood do they
most use in tanning?"

"Well, when I went to school,
my boy, then used birch."

Mr. Honeymoon: "Sweetheart,
your lips are like rubies, and
your cheeks remind me of roses!"

Mrs. Honeymoon: "Oh, you
heartless bigamist! Go back to
your Ruby and your Rose!"

"So that company you invested
some money in looks like becom-
ing bankrupt," said a man to a
foolish friend of his who had
taken the "advice" of an outside
broker.

"It does," was the sorrowful
reply, "according to all accounts."

Indignant diner: "Bring the
proprietor here at once! There's
a wasp in my soup!"

Waiter: "If you're sending
for the boss, sir, he's scared to
death of 'em himself!"

ZOO SNAKE

'CANNIBAL' WHICH EATS
RATTLESNAKES

IMMUNE FROM POISON

Among the recent additions to the London Zoological Society's reptile collection is a 7ft long specimen of a South American non-poisonous snake known as the Cribro, a species which feeds on tree, on other snakes, poisonous as well as harmless.

The Cribro is the arch enemy of the justly dreaded Fer-de-Lance and rattlesnake, from the poison of which it is immune, and is capable of overpowering and swallowing specimens as large as itself. As a result of its cannibalistic tendencies it receives Government protection in the State of Sao Paulo, where the Fer-de-Lance is especially abundant.

In certain parts of Brazil a premium of fourpence per head was formerly placed on every Fer-de-Lance. The payments, however, had to be discontinued owing to the fact that the natives started to breed the snake in captivity and the Fer-de-Lance brings forth broods of up to seventy young.

The Cribro is not the only snake that is immune from the bites of its venomous compatriots; our common grass snake is not affected by the poison of the adder. Recent experiments have proved that, amongst mammals and birds, the hedgehog, mongoose, dormouse, and secretary bird are more or less immune from normal doses of snake poison.

BEQUESTS

LORD KENYON'S SETTLED
LANDS

A further grant of probate (limited to the value of settled lands only) has been issued in respect of the late Baron Kenyon, of Gredington, Whitechurch, Salop. The value of the settled lands is returned at £55,114. The unsettled estate was returned in February last as of the gross value of £25,215, making the total value of the property £80,329.

Mr. Thomas Field, of Aylesbury, goldsmith, founder and for many years hon. organising secretary of the National Association of Goldsmiths, died leaving property of the gross value of £18,512, with net personalty £13,784. He gave: To Gertrude Ellen Knight, a director and secretary of Field and Son Ltd., 100 Ordinary shares in the said company; he appointed Thomas William Field and James Henry Coles governing directors of Field and Son Ltd., and stated: "It is my earnest wish that the firm of Field and Son Ltd. shall continue the repairs, winding, and regulating of clocks at the Royal Bucks Hospital, Aylesbury, and the supply of spectacles to ophthalmic patients in the hospital who are holders of hospital orders, free of charge."

Miss Emily Rosa Parbury, of Leatholm, Langton Green, Tunbridge Wells, left estate of the gross value of £29,862, with net personalty £23,564. She gave: £400 to Dr. Frederick Bailey Mansor, "as a small token of gratitude for his kindness."

Miss Helen Findlay, of Belmont-terrace, Newtyle, N.B., left personal estate in Great Britain valued at £5,938. The testatrix left:

£500 each to the Foreign Mission of the Church of Scotland and the Kirk Session of Newtyle Parish Church, to be expended on behalf of the church and congregation as they think best; and the residue of the property to the Kirk Session of the Parish Church of Newtyle, the income therefrom to be applied in augmenting the stipend of the minister of Newtyle.

ROMAN COINS

BOY'S FIND IN LONDON
GARDEN

Between 500 and 600 old Roman silver coins were found by a nine-year-old schoolboy, Gerald Dennis Grimsdell, while digging in his garden at Cranley-gardens, Muswell-hill, London, N.

They are apparently contained in an earthenware vase, which was in pieces. The coins when cleaned were found to be in a splendid state of preservation. They are all about the size of a sixpenny piece and the authorities at the British Museum say that they are genuine.

In accordance with the law the coroner for the district has been informed of the discovery, and has summoned a jury to decide whether the coins are treasure-trove and what shall be done with them.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. Edward Moore, engineer, of No. 1, Stanley-terrace, Quarry Bay, and Miss Elizabeth Robertson Dow, of No. 7, Royal-street, Gourock, who is coming to Hong Kong on the "Naldern."

The Hong Kong Electric Company's showroom at 2, Queen's-road Central will be removed to 12, Des-Voeux-road Central on October 29th.

"STUDENT PRINCE"

ROYAL ROMANCE OF OLD
HEIDELBERG

TO-DAY AT THE QUEEN'S

Ramon Navarro, the handsome hero of "Ben-Hur," and beautiful Norma Shearer are the leading players in "The Student Prince," a magnificent picture complete with faithful reproductions of the castles of Old Heidelberg and other massive settings, which will be screened at the Queen's Theatre from to-day to Saturday. World famous as a stage play, this wonderfully sweet romance of the Prince and peasant maid has at last been brought to the screen through the genius of the eminent director, Ernst Lubitsch. In addition to the principals, a huge supporting cast has been chosen and includes Jean Herscholt, the character actor, George K. Arthur, noted comedian, Edward Connelly, Lionel Belmore, Otis Harlan and Edythe Chapman, all well-known players with many screen successes to their credit. Hundreds of colourful costumes specially designed will be seen on imperial guardsmen, diplomats, nobles of the land and the picturesque villagers.

MOISEWITSCH

GREAT PIANIST COMING
HERE

Benno Moiseiwitsch is en route to Hong Kong where he is to give recitals. He will be playing at the Theatre Royal on Wednesday, October 24 and Saturday, October 27 under the direction of A. Stok. He is no ordinary pianist—he is a thorough master of the technique of music, whose playing is a revelation. He has perfected his art and is still a young man. Brilliant and difficult compositions are interpreted flawlessly, dexterity of touch in this, massive ponderousness in that, and all the time the art of Moiseiwitsch reaches out to embrace with the ardour of an old friend. As an indication of his popularity in this part of the world, Moiseiwitsch is the only artist who has returned to the Orient within the space of fourteen months. Two very popular programmes have been selected for his recitals here and it is generally expected that Moiseiwitsch's short season in Hong Kong this month will eclipse even the extraordinary reception tendered him on the occasion of his last appearances in Hong Kong.

"Marigold," the play with the longest run in London—it has passed its 600th performance at the Kingsway Theatre—is again being played by its original London company. For a fortnight the touring company kept the play going, but now the full cast, including Miss Angela Inghideley, in the name part, Miss Jean Cadell, and Mr. Hubert Harben, is back, and "Marigold" is in full bloom again. Its success in London at a theatre which has often been unfortunate is remarkable. The play came into London quietly and it is very little talked about in theatrical circles, but it has already taken more than £50,000 at the box-office, and it has at least another month to run at the Kingsway Theatre. Its success appears to be due to its simple charm. It is, moreover, a "clean" play.

"Yellow Sands," Mr. Eden Phillips's Devonshire comedy, has been revived at the Court Theatre, S.W.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED
IN THE "MAIL"

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Student Prince."

To-day—World Theatre; "Beau Geste."

To-day—Star Theatre; "The Grand Duchess and the Waiter."

October 25—First Chamber Concert of the season, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m. (postponed).

October 25—St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club dance at Lane Crawford's restaurant, 8 p.m.

To-day—Theatre Royal; Piano Recital by Moiseiwitsch at 9.15 p.m.

Oct. 28-29—Queen's Theatre; "Senorita."

Oct. 28-29—World Theatre; "Love's Greatest Mistake."

Oct. 28-29—Star Theatre; "Special Delivery."

Oct. 30-31—Queen's Theatre; "The Thirteenth Hour."

Oct. 30-31—World Theatre; "The Cat and the Canary."

Oct. 30-31—Star Theatre; "The Fall of Babylon."

Nov. 1-3—Queen's Theatre; "Knock Out Reilly."

Nov. 1-3—World Theatre; "We're in the Navy Now."

Nov. 1-3—Star Theatre; "Honour Bound."

November 2—Dance in City Hall in aid of H.K.W.G. and M.C.L. (Police branch), 9.15 p.m.

Land Sales

October, 29—At P.W.D. Offices, two lots of Crown Land at Shamshui and Matakouk, 3 p.m.

Lammerts' Auctions

October 25—At 3 Waverley Terrace (Kowloon Dock) Hungghom, valuable household furniture, 11 a.m.

October 25—At Sales Room, Duddell st., valuable household furniture, 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

October 25—Half yearly general meeting of members of Hong Kong Jockey Club, in Jockey Club Room, Hong Kong Club Annex, 5.15 p.m.

October 31—Twenty-fourth annual general meeting of members of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht-Club, Club House, North Point, 5.45 p.m.

Sports

To-day—Victoria Recreation Club Harbour race, 5 p.m.

October 27—First championship race for Racing Yachts.

October 31—Tenth bi-annual race for ships' lifeboats (Royal H.K.Y.C. Travessa Trophy), 4 p.m.

November 6—Snooker (Billiards) Championship, Palace Hotel, Kowloon.

November 10—Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club opening cruise.

November 10—Seventh extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley.

Miscellaneous.

October 25—Weekly public lectures of the Theosophical Society, 6 p.m.

October 25—First Debate of the Season (European Y.M.C.A.), 9 p.m.

October 26—Investiture at Government House, 9.15 p.m.

November 3—St. Peter's Y. M.'s Club holds Garden Fete.

November 3—Inaugural ceremony of the Macao Charity and Commercial Fair, at Macao, 9 p.m.

November 17—H.K.W.G. & M.C.L.'s "Fun of the Fair," at Lee Gardens.



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IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN
TO JAWA

Mr. E. A. Ross, M.C.S., has been appointed to act as Assistant Adviser, Kuching, and Mr. S. N. King, M.C.S., as First Magistrate, Johore Bahru.

Mr. E. D. Fleming, M.C.S., has been posted to Kedah as acting Protector of Chinese in place of Mr. G. R. Sykes, M.C.S., who has gone on leave.

Mr. J. L. McFall, Deputy Public Prosecutor at Penang, was admitted to the Penang Bar, without the customary waiting period, by Mr. Justice Stevens, in the Supreme Court recently. Mr. Crabb Watt recommended his admission and the Penang Bar Committee, represented by Mr. Ross, offered no objection.

The Malayan "Daily Express" reports that Mr. Mei Lan Fong, China's greatest actor, and world-renowned impersonator of female characters, is expected to visit Malaya shortly on a \$180,000 contract and that a wealthy Chinese merchant in Swatow, who has extensive business connections in Malaya, is financing the tour.

Mr. K. Evas, writing in the "Financial Times," expresses the hope that some shareholder of the Nipah Distilleries of Malaya will challenge the item preliminary expenses—£17,000 in various payments, apart from under-writing. These payments, he says, represent about 20 per cent. of the cash received from shareholders.

During September 15,872 Chinese immigrants arrived in Singapore (as compared with 27,112 in the same month last year), making a total of 242,347 to date (as compared with 291,490 last year). During the same month 14,868 deck passengers left Singapore, (against 17,386 in September last year), the total departures to date being 107,337 (against 112,050).

On the occasion of the Queen of the Netherlands' birthday 1,500 prisoners were granted amnesty and a further 7,000 were granted remission of their sentences, says the Batavia correspondent of the "Free Press."

The "Pinnang Gazette" give currency to a rumour that Mr. A. Cavendish, Director of Co-operative Societies, S.S. and F.M.S., will shortly be appointed British Adviser to one of the Unfederated Malay States. Mr. Cavendish, it may be added, was acting British Adviser to Perlis as long ago as 1910. He accompanied the Sultan of Kedah to England for the Corporation in 1911 and on his return to Malaya was appointed Assistant Adviser to Kedah, a post which he held until May, 1916. He is now in Class 1B of the Civil Service and will be 50 on Dec. 1 of this year.

The Municipal Health Officer in his report for the week ended September 29, states that the total number of deaths recorded was 256. Of this total 211 were Chinese, 20 Malays, 19 Indians, 2 Eurasians, 2 Europeans, and two of other nationalities. The chief cause of mortality was pneumonia with 33 deaths. Convulsions caused 23 deaths, phthisis 23, malaria 23 and beri-beri 22. Three deaths occurred from enteric fever and one from small-pox. Thirteen persons died who had been less than three months resident in Singapore. The infantile death rate was 227.7 per mille per annum.

Mr. James Alexander Henderson, merchant, of Colombo, has left £42,700. Income from his property in Ceylon to be paid to his sister, brothers and wife's sister and subject to such life interests to the Colombo Chamber of Commerce to found a fund for relief of persons who are or had been engaged in firms of European constitution carrying on business in Ceylon and who have been overtaken by misfortune through no fault of their own. He hopes that other firms and merchants will supplement the fund. He gives his silver and plated cups won in Ceylon to the Ceylon kennel club. Mr. Henderson has left all his English property (after provision of £300 as bequests) to Mrs. Alice Mayfield, "my friend and nurse, as a token of deep appreciation for the great kindness to my late wife, her family, and myself."

NOTICE.

THE DIOCESAN BOYS' SCHOOL,
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THE FOURTH PAYMENT of School Fees (1928-9) is due on THURSDAY, November 1st. Annual Examinations will be held in November and Promotions made the last week in November. November is a good time for New Boys to join the School.

The New Year's work begins on MONDAY, December 3rd. The new Syllabus will be issued in November. French will be added as a Class Subject in the senior Classes. Chinese is compulsory for all boys.

The Chinese New Year Holidays will be from about WEDNESDAY, February 1st to about MONDAY, February 27th, 1929.

W. T. FEA, RSTONE,
Headmaster.
Hong Kong, 23rd Oct., 1928.

COUNT THE

"MAILS."

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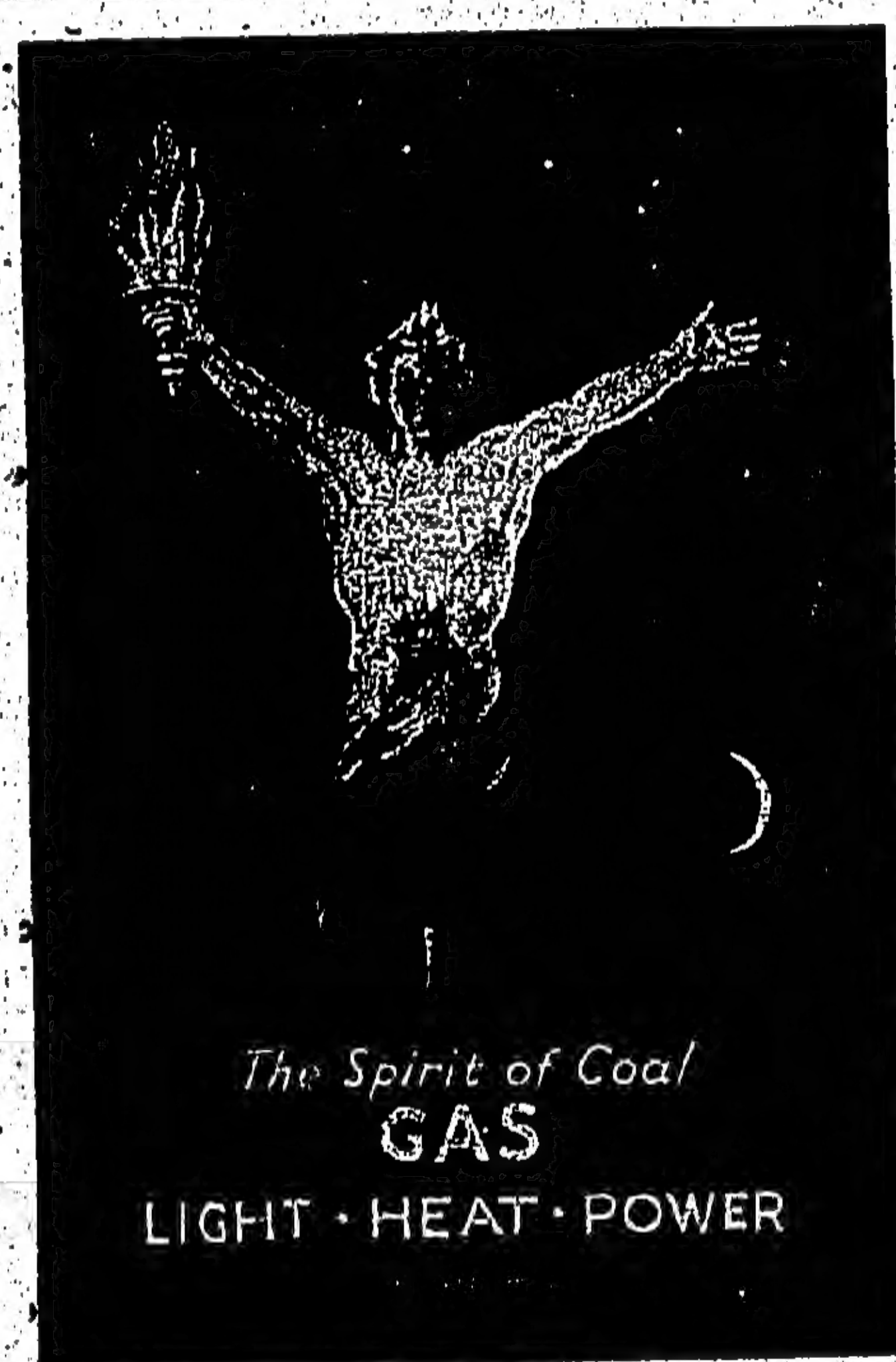
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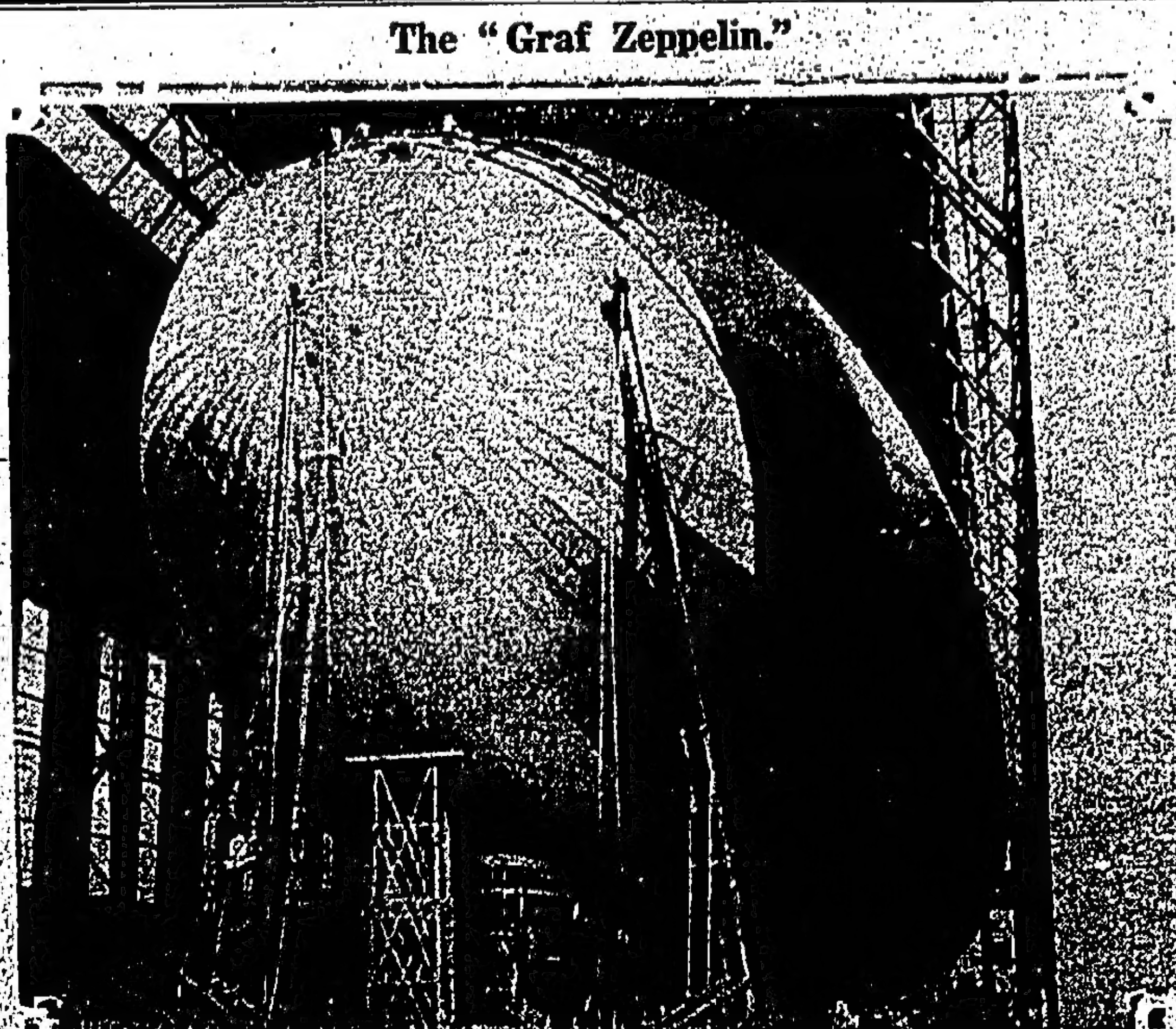
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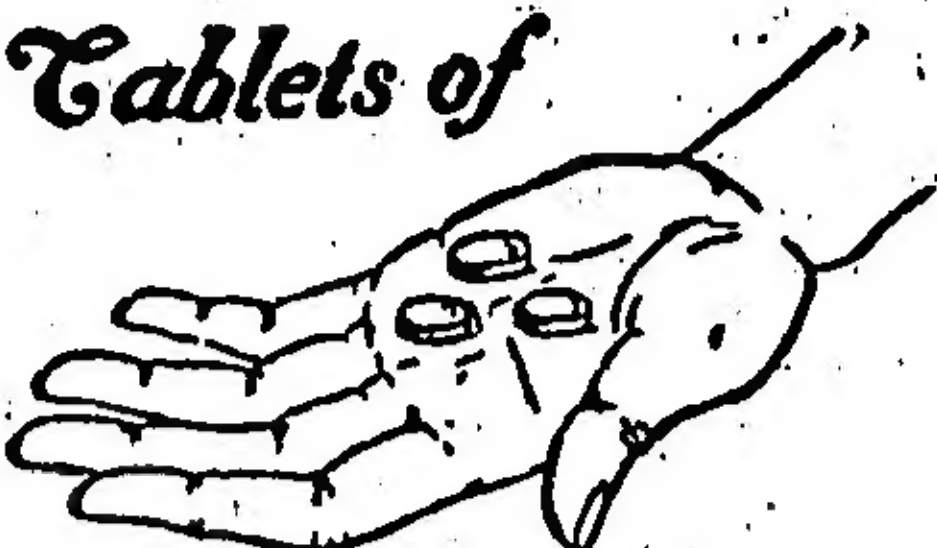
The "Graf Zeppelin"

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THE KELLOGG PACT

Shanghai, Oct. 18.

The sixth annual meeting of the National Christian Council closed this afternoon. There will be a meeting of the Executive Committee to-morrow.

During the day a discussion on Leadership began early in the conference was continued. It stressed again the need for more trained workers to take part in the activities of the Church, and for more adequate training. A good deal of time was given to the consideration of missionary leadership and the preparation for it. In view of the present situation it was recommended that the incoming Executive Committee be asked to make a plan for a thorough re-study of the entire question of the training and qualifications of missionaries in China.

Special mention was made of language study, the general feeling of the Council being that the national language should be studied as well as local dialects. It was suggested that the Council should take a prophetic lead in this, looking forward to the time when the national spoken language will be universally necessary in China. In this connection it was pointed out that in this Council meeting there has been much less interpretation than usual from one dialect to another, practically all the delegates speaking one language.

The financial report for 1927-28 was presented by the Treasurer, Mr. H. C. Tsao. In presenting the report Mr. Tsao called attention to the decrease in funds available from abroad which necessitates a marked increase in the support to be secured in China.

Reports Accepted

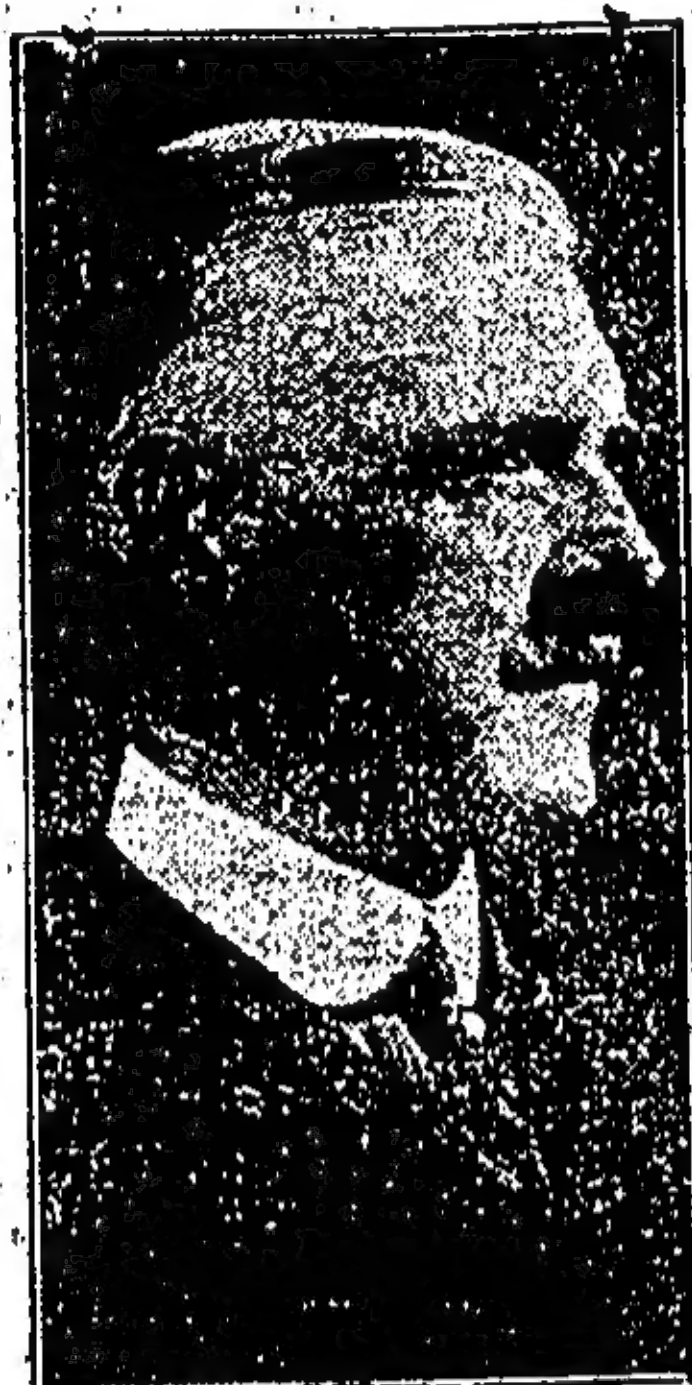
Reports of the ten standing committees of the National Christian Council were accepted together with reports from the China Educational Association, the China Medical Association, the Christian Literature Society and the Daily Vacation Bible Schools' Association. Mention was made in the report on Christianising International Relations of a number of occasions where it has been possible for Chinese and Japanese Christians to meet together to consider Sino-Japanese relations; also of a letter sent to the Executive Committee of the National Christian Council in Japan relative to the Tsinan incident, one result of which has been the visit to this Annual Meeting of Mr. Ebizawa, Secretary of the Japan National Christian Council.

In the Jerusalem Conference and at this annual meeting much emphasis has been placed on the development of rural work. In this connection the Council voted to join with other national Christian organisations and church bodies in co-operating with the College of Agriculture and Forestry of Nanking University to plan for the reorganisation of the

Summer Institute of the University which will more adequately meet the needs of rural pastors, evangelists, teachers and lay leaders, both men and women. It also expressed its interest in the selection of a rural church in which a correlated programme will be carried out as an experiment, using local leadership assisted by experienced workers. The place selected is near Nanking.

China and Others

In connection with the report of the Anti-Narcotic Committee the Council placed on record its approval of the Government's announced policy of total suppression of the planting and trade in opium and assurance to the Gov-



London, England.—Capt. Edward Fitzroy, who was unanimously elected Speaker of the House of Commons. For a number of years he served as Chairman of Committees in the House. Captain Fitzroy is the son of Lord Southampton.

ernment of the wholehearted support of the Christian organisations co-operating in the Council. It also assured the National Anti-Opium Association of the continued support of the Christian constituency in the fight against opium and narcotic drugs.

In its consideration of the report on The Christian Mission and the Church, the Council expressed the desire to record its approval of the Kellogg Peace Pact. The following resolution was therefore presented and approved:

"The Council summons the Church in China to unite with Christians throughout the world in unremitting prayer, and effort in the cause of peace. The Council rejoices to know that China in concert with other progressive nations has instructed its representatives to sign the Kellogg Pact which embodies the principles for which the Christian Church stands in this matter. The Council prays that God may use this international instrument to make the spirit of Christ effective in the counsels of the nations."

The meeting closed with a devotional service led by Dr. C. Y. Cheng, general secretary of the National Christian Council.

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WITH MOORS

Paris.—A French scout cruiser carrying an official with powers to negotiate the release of the French airmen Lieut. Reine and M. Serre, for whom their Moorish captors demand a ransom of \$34,180, was due recently off the coast of the Rio del Oro, the Spanish possession on the west coast of Africa.

The airmen were captured on July 2 after making a forced landing in the desert while carrying mails from Paris to Dakar.

The Moorish tribes, as reported in "The Daily Mail" of August 23, have been fighting among themselves for possession of the captives. The tribe which at present holds them demands, in addition to \$34,180 in cash, the release of 21 of their own prisoners who are held by the French and Spaniards.

The French plenipotentiary, who speaks Arabic fluently, has orders to obtain the airmen's freedom at all costs.

Mr. Jack Buchanan has returned to the east of "That's a Good Girl" at the London Hippodrome after a three-weeks holiday.

COUNT THE

"MAILS."

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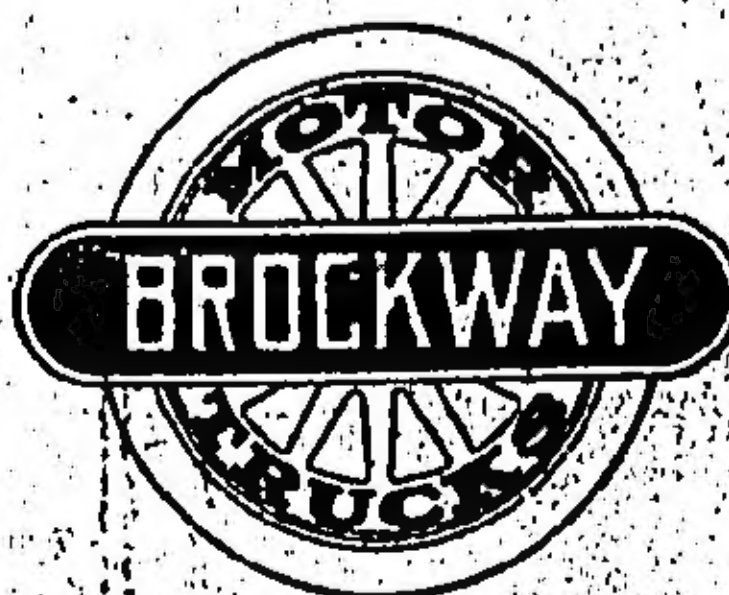


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TENNIS IN FRANCE

FEDERATION'S DEMANDS TO BE AIRED

POLITICIAN'S PROMISE

Paris, Yesterday. M. Henry Pate, vice-president of the Chamber and President of the Parliamentary Sports Group has declared he will bring the demands of the Lawn Tennis Federation before the Chamber.—Reuter.

The situation is explained by the following cables, published on Monday last from Paris:—
A serious setback to French tennis is predicted to follow the action of the Treasury in deciding, in face of considerable sporting opposition, to levy a heavy entertainment tax on the receipts of national and international tennis tournaments. The big winter tournaments are expected to disappear from the programme and the Lawn Tennis Federation has not only prohibited all inter-club tournaments but has decided to relinquish the right to hold the Davis Cup final in France and seek a venue abroad, probably Brussels.

Federation's Decision

The French Lawn Tennis Federation in a Communique regarding its protest against the Entertainment Tax, says that all open tennis tournaments will be cancelled for the winter 1928-29. The covered courts, championship of France alone will be played but the public will be admitted.

If the present situation is not modified by March 1, 1929 all the spring, summer and autumn tournaments will be cancelled and steps will be taken to approach the foreign nations with a view to the Davis Cup matches, at present playable in France, being played in one of their countries.

Hope of Compromise

The recent failure of the leading Paris lawn tennis clubs' legal action against the payment of the Entertainment Tax seems to have decided the Lawn Tennis Federation to take action, but there is plenty of time for matters to be arranged before the Davis Cup contest and a different interpretation of the law would doubtless result in the staging of the final rounds in France. All hope has evidently not been abandoned as the wooden stands in the State Roland Garros are being replaced by a cement erection.

HOCKEY

Players selected to represent the Club de Reccole are:—

Reccole vs. H.K.S.R.A., Marina Ground, Thursday, Oct. 25, 1928 5.15 p.m.—F. Barros, P. N. da Silva, R. Roberts, A. A. R. Botelho, J. E. Noronha, C. Basto, D. P. Xavier, H. A. Alves, R. C. Reed, C. D'Almada e Castro, D. F. Lopes.

Hockey Club "A" vs. Reccole II, King's Park, Friday, October 26, 5.15 p.m., A. P. Eca da Silva, D. C. Alves, A. A. Remedios, A. H. Xavier, F. V. Ribeiro, G. A. Pinna, M. A. V. Soares, H. J. Noronha, C. Rosa Pereira, L. F. Xavier, J. M. M. Alves.

GOLF

In the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club, Adamson Cup October qualifying competition, H. Hampton, with 93—23=70 qualifies. Other scores were:—E. Moore, 86—16=71; J. Stewart, 89—15=74; F. E. Booker 87—10=77.

IN THE RING

WHEN MOODY WAS K.O. BY ERNIE RICE

[By Eugene Corri.]

London, Sept. 15. A couple of interesting matches are to take place next Monday. One is a light-weight fight between Ernie Rice and Sam Steward, the other is between Frank Moody and Alec Ireland.

The first-mentioned contest, to be staged at The Ring, London, is, I understand, a light-weight championship affair, although obviously the winner must meet Kid Berg as soon as the latter returns from America to give him the chance to prove what I certainly believe him to be—the best light-weight we have to-day.

It is strange to see Rice produced from retirement for a championship affair, for it is nearly three years since he last fought, so far as I remember, and was no tender chicken then. And how many years it is since Rice was the champion? I make it to be over seven years.

Although you will not, perhaps, find it in any book of records, I remember, towards the end of the war, I think, that this same Ernie Rice also met the same Frank Moody who is boxing at Edinburgh on Monday night—and knocked him out in an early round.

Always one with a knock-out punch was the swarthy hard-as-leather Rice from Hounslow, a man whom nothing seemed to hurt, who had the crudest style, who just crept steadily on like the first of the tanks, slowly but ruthlessly, and sooner or later dealt a terrific short-arm hook which crippled his opponent.

Seaman Hall

Very few—not one in ten—of his contests went the distance. I remember that he knocked out Ben Callicott when winning the British title from him at the National Sporting Club, a result which surprised most of us; and followed it within a month by winning the European title from Georges Papin in the same ring.

And then he met Seaman Hall at Liverpool. Do you remember that strange, almost romantic figure, momentarily on the stage, "Nobby" Hall, who left the Royal Navy to seek a fortune in boxing? I could box, no doubt of that. He kept clear of that wicked hook all through the fight except once, when he was hit upon the forehead and knocked flat on his back, only to get up and win cleverly.

Hall lost the title to Mason, and Mason was the plague of Ernie Rice—the man he could not beat. Mason, a cunning boxer

and a great strategist, even though somewhat given to theatrical effect, fought a run-away fight, and was never caught properly—took a number of counts on one knee, got up, and poked out his left, and retreated again; stung Rice to madness by his taunting style; and managed to get the decision.

Rice swore he would never rest until he met Mason again. They met again, and within a round Mason was, for all his skill and undeniable pluck, virtually beaten. It was written plainly. And Rice, a shade impetuous in his desire for revenge, shot his left somewhat low, in the opinion of the referee, and lost again.

Ireland's Stamina. I think Rice has not boxed since. He is not old—a few months under 32, and I imagine, still strong and well-conditioned. He has natural strength and rug-

OLYMPIC "FACES."



gedness, and an economy of effort in his style. The one danger is that his sense of timing is likely to have been impaired by his absence from boxing for over two years.

Sam Steward, of Peckham, whom he meets, is an honest boxer of qualities solid rather than brilliant. He has fought with fine consistency for the last two or three years, and has earned the right to fight for a title. He is the sort who will never let us down, and I shall be surprised if he does not acquire a title next Monday at the expense of the man from Hounslow.

Frank Moody, the Welshman who holds the Lonsdale Belt for cruiser-weight, is tackling no light proposition in Alex. Ireland, Ireland—a Scot—holds the middle-weight championship by a technicality, for Milligan lost it to him by a foul committed when he had all but beaten Ireland. Moody, having defeated Milligan almost by a single punch recently, would seem to have his present contest, which takes place at Edinburgh next Monday, already won. But that is not the case. Ireland is a skilful defensive boxer when he chooses to

use his skill. He will not be caught so simply as was Milligan, whose foolhardiness in lack of defence was ever his undoing.

I think the Welshman will win, because Ireland does not appear to me to have the speed and stamina he once had. But if he is anything like at his best he will hold Moody off for quite a while. They tell me, those who have been to see him training recently, that Ireland is actually in fine fettle. I hope he is, for then the spectators will assuredly get value for their money.

Outlook for Phil Scott.

So they have formed a "Phil Scott Syndicate" with a capital of \$5,000 for the purpose of challenging the world. This is, at any rate, enterprising; but I am afraid that the old, old argument that because Scott bent Heeney, Scott is the next man to Tunney fails to be convincing nowadays.

Scott is, without a shadow of doubt, our best heavy-weight; but when we look beyond our own coast-line, let us take a broad, sane view of things. Scott has been beaten. His form in America did not suggest that he was anything like in line for a match with Tunney, and a capital of \$5,000 will not wipe out past defeats nor make him more formidable than he is.

Do not listen too seriously to such talk. Scott, I take it, will go to America again for the coming season, since there appears to be little opposition on this side, and small chance of inducing the public to pay sufficient to bring a really big man here to meet him. He will be put up against men good enough to test him, and if his form warrants it, he will go forward.

People may criticise America as they choose, but my experience is that there is such a craze there for heavy-weights, and such a scarcity of supply to meet the demand, that nothing can bar the progress of a good heavy-weight from anywhere, once he puts his foot in New York.—Sports Dispatch.

AUSTRALIAN TEST

TEAMS FOR FIRST TRIAL MATCH

WOODFULL AS CAPTAIN

Sydney, Oct. 5. The following are the teams for the Test trial beginning at Melbourne on October 19:—

Australia	The Rest
Woodfull (Capt.)	Victor Richardson (Capt.)
Grimmett	Kelleway
Ponsford	Taylor
Heard	Bradman
Ryder	Jackson
Oldfield	Nicholls
Kippax	O'Connor
Gregory	Harris
Andrews	Scott
R. Oxenham	A. Beckett
Blackie	Ironmonger
Thompson is twelfth man.	

—Reuter.

CRICKET

The following have been selected to represent the University 2nd XI. in a League match against the Hong Kong Electric Cricket Club on Saturday, at 2 p.m. in Home ground:—F. Hiptoola (Capt.), M. B. Osman, A. Baker, H. T. Barma, A. Chan Fook, F. S. Chey, A. B. Sulteman, N. P. Karanjia, G. E. Yeoh, A. A. Aziz, H. E. Adams.

The following have been selected to represent the I.R.C. in the above match on Saturday:—The I.R.C. Ground at 2 p.m. Sirdar Khan (Capt.), M. P. Madar, N. B. Kitchell, A. M. Rumjahn, D. Mohamed, A. Butt, A. R. Suffad, J. M. A. Rumjahn, R. Nazarin, D. M. A. Razack and A. Rahmin.

Reserves:—M. R. Abbas and Y. A. Curreen.

COUNT THE "MAILS."

See Page 3.

ON THE ROCKS

HARBOUR RACE OFFICIALS STRANDED

CHINESE LADY WINS

A somewhat disconcerting incident occurred yesterday afternoon when the annual harbour race for ladies was held under the auspices of the Victoria Recreation Club. The steam launch containing the judges and Club officials which had drawn up against the praya wall at Kowloon for the start of the race, was stranded on the rocks.

Fully twenty minutes were occupied in attempting to get the launch off, but when even an attempt at towing it off by a police launch failed, those on board were transferred by sampan to the police launch and arrived opposite the V.R.C., just in time for the judges to "clock" the swimmers, the leader having about another 100 yards to go to reach the seawall outside the Club.

The competitors, five in number, lined up on the side of the Club launch against the praya wall at Kowloon, between the Star ferry wharf and the new police pier, and the race was started by Mr. C. J. Cooke from a small yacht in which he afterwards followed the swimmers. The course was marked by sampan flying red flags, whilst other native craft were engaged to keep behind the swimmers, ready to take them out of the water in case they got into difficulty.

Fine Start

Those who faced the starter were the Misses Kwok Chai-ming, M. George, P. Hunt, Chan Yeuk-fai and D. Hunt. They all dived in together at 5.17 p.m. From a good start, Phyllis Hunt, who won the event in 1926 and 1927, went in front followed by her sister, Doris, and Maud George. Kwok Chai-ming, the Chinese girl who was first amongst the ladies in the Chinese harbour race swam immediately behind the leaders, with Chan Yeuk-fai slightly in the rear.

Soon after the start, Maud George took the lead and swam an easterly course. The Hunt sisters kept close to Miss George, slightly to her right, with the two Chinese girls about five yards behind. The order was maintained for the greater part of the race, and Miss George, who was swimming strongly to the east, looked like a good winner.

A Close Finish

Then Miss Kwok was caught by the flow tide and carried slightly out of the course. For a while it looked as if she would be out of the race altogether, but she had the good fortune to catch the ebb tide, and this gave her such a good advantage over the others that she reached the steps of the V.R.C. fully fifty yards in front of Miss George.

Miss George put up a hard struggle to overhaul the leader but the distance between Miss Kwok and the seawall was so short that the latter had no difficulty in remaining in front to win by a bare five seconds. With such a big handicap, Miss George did well to finish so close to the winner.

The positions and times of the five competitors were:

	Min.	Sec.
Miss Kwok Chai-ming	35	47.2/5
Miss M. George	35	52.3/5
Miss P. Hunt	37	41
Miss Chan Yeuk-fai	38	10
Miss D. Hunt	40	20

Previous Winners

The previous winners of the Ladies' Event have been:

	Min.	Sec.
1920 Miss Ruby Young	37	10.1/5
1921 Miss G. Ramsay	38	02
1922 Miss M. Ground-water	38	
1923 Miss M. Ground-water	34	18.3/5
1924 Miss M. Ground-water	34	31
1925 Miss V. Owen	41	02
Hughes	49	24
1926 Miss P. Hunt	39	47
1927 Miss P. Hunt	39	47

To-day's Event

To-day's open event has attracted a large entry and should prove an interesting contest. The launch from the V.R.C. will start at 5 p.m. and the race, about 15 minutes later.

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WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES.

Visitor at Balmoral Castle.



Princess Marthe, of Sweden, who was to have been the guest of King George and Queen Mary at Balmoral Castle. The Princess Marthe is considered by many to be the prettiest of unmarried royalties in Europe, being darkhaired, possessed of a slow, shy smile and a charming manner. She is sister of Princess Ingrid, who married the Crown Prince of Belgium.

In Dishwasher Role.



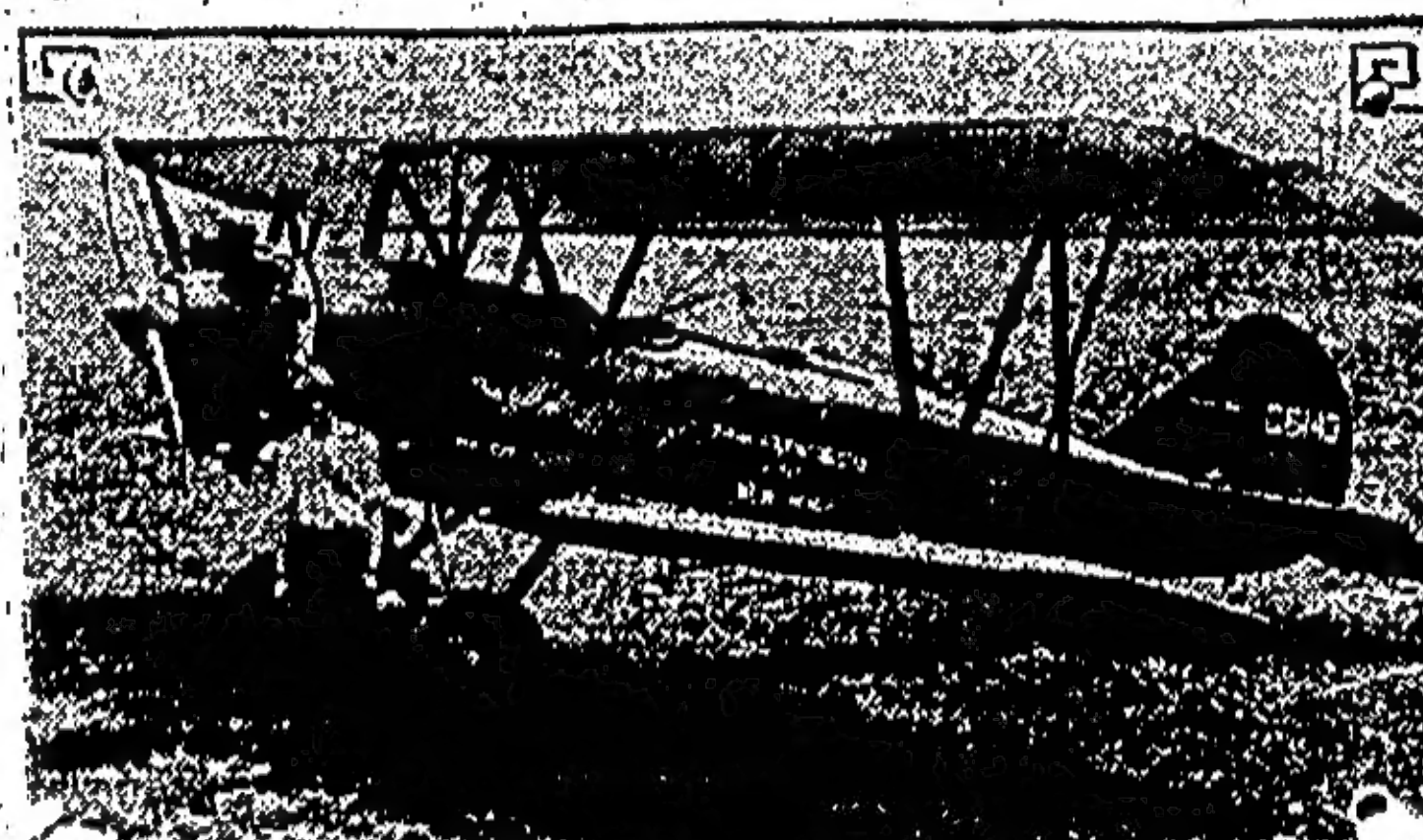
Brigadier-General Charles Henry Gough, late of Australian army, thrice decorated for bravery in France and reduced by ill-fortune to a job washing dishes in a Quebec hotel. Publicity won him a position as an executive with the Clarke Steamship Co.

"His Worship" Honours War Dead.



Photo shows Mrs. Lucia Marian Foster-Welch, Lord Mayor of Southampton, England, and her daughter, Mrs. Dorothy M. Paton, laying a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Washington.

To Fly for a G\$1,000 Prize.



Dick James (17) and the plane in which he plans to fly from San Francisco to New York in competition with pilots under 21. James, a member of Flushing (L. I.) Aero Club, hopes to win the G\$1,000 prize which has been put up by American Society for Promotion of Aviation.

A Page From Lafcadio Hearn.



Photo shows two Shinto priests, of the Meiji shrine in Tokyo, hanging little cages in which are imprisoned singing insects, on a tree beside a sacred lantern. The "music" is supposed to delight the spirit of the dead emperor and assure him that his subjects have not forgotten him.

"Sliced Unconscious."



That sounds funny, but nevertheless it's true. While Rosa Ponselle, Metropolitan soprano, was playing golf with her vocal coach, Maestro Romani, on the links at Lake Placid, N. Y., a dub, trailing them, sliced a ball which struck the singer in the temple and rendered her unconscious for ten minutes.

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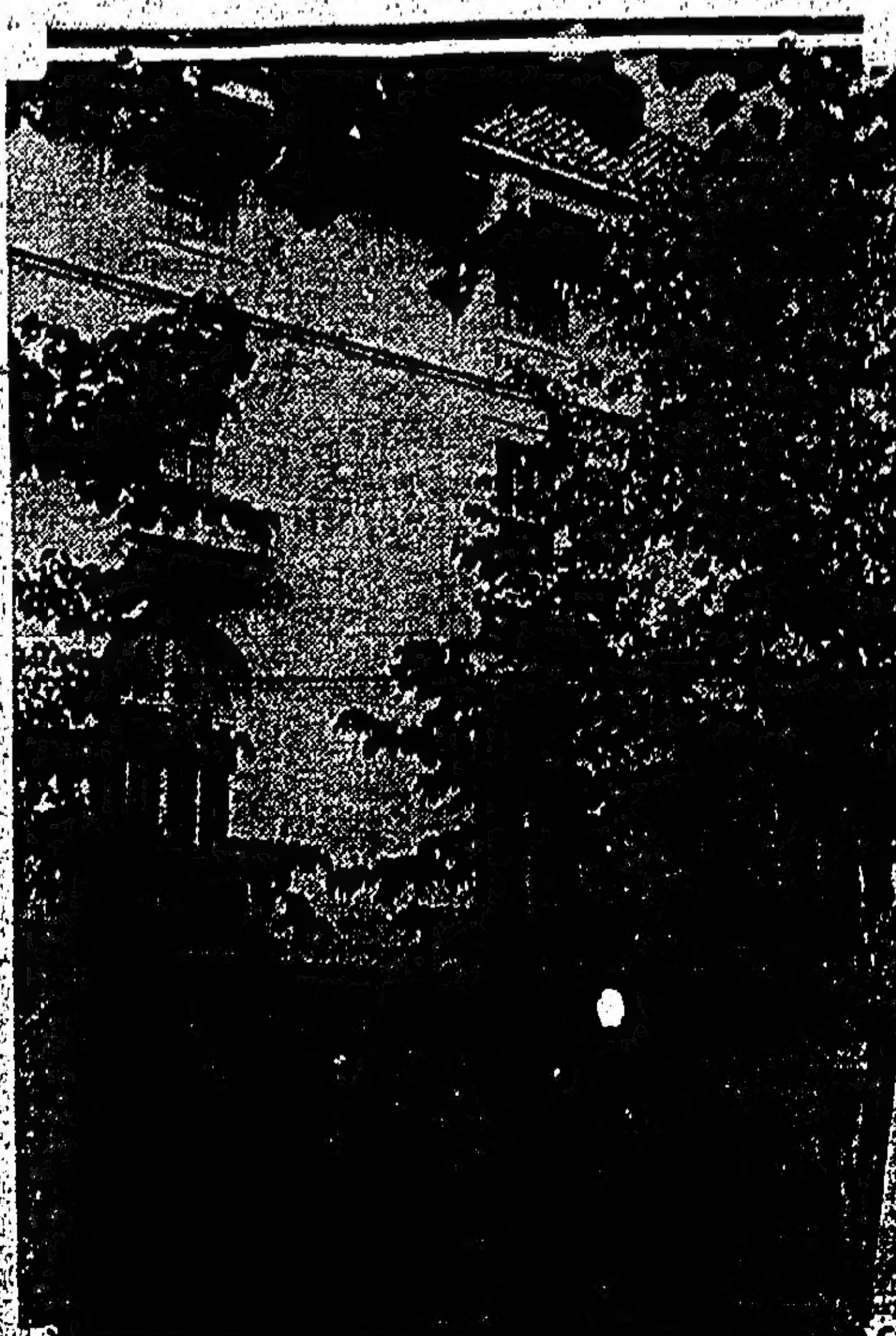
Dr. Herbert G. Dorsey, senior electrical engineer for the Coast and Geodetic Society, with "fathometer," an invention which he has perfected to determine the depth of the sea. The hydrophone received an echo from the instrument at bottom of the ocean, thus enabling scientists to calculate its depth.

Channel Swimmer.



Miss Edda Sharp, 17, the London nursemaid, who swam the English Channel from Cape Gris Nez, France, to Dover.

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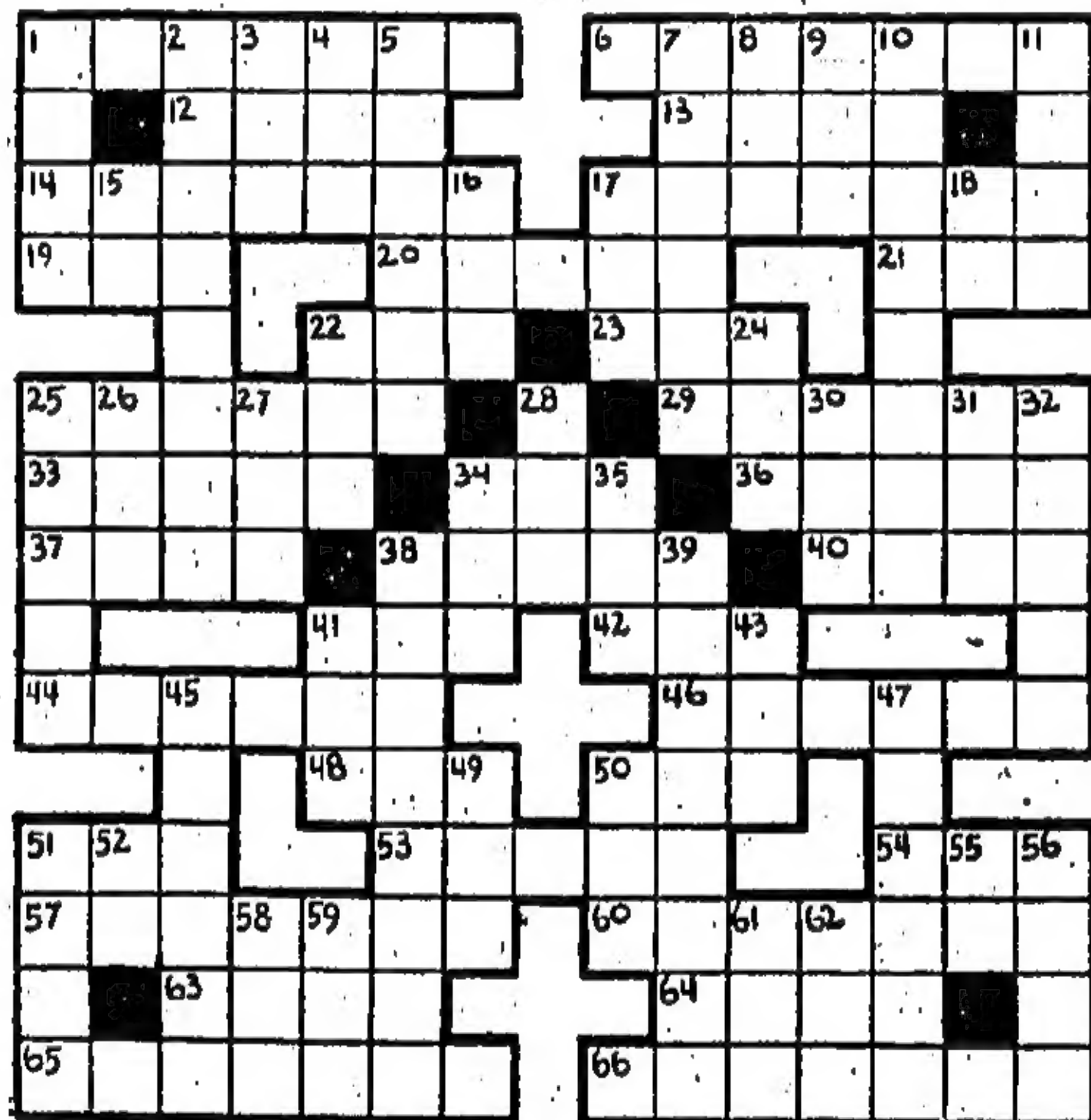
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Guides
- 2-To make cheap
- 3-Greater in number
- 4-Combining form. Air
- 5-Bravery
- 6-Large Philippine island
- 7-A tavern
- 8-Church official
- 9-To hasten
- 10-Girl's name
- 11-A doll
- 12-Debate oneself
- 13-A person of savage temper
- 14-The chief element of fatty oils
- 15-Employment
- 16-To wash by draining, as wood ashes
- 17-To blow, as a horn
- 18-A cone
- 19-In
- 20-A spruce (slang)
- 21-Vital fluid of plants
- 22-To seal again
- 23-Sheen or gloss
- 24-A playing card
- 25-Girl's nickname
- 26-The swell of the ocean
- 27-Dwelling in a city

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 28-An Indian memorial post
- 29-A small carriage
- 30-To regard with admiration
- 31-A Philippine island
- 32-Paradise
- 33-A woman of the nobility
- 34-The marks of wrinkles
- 35-Plural of "locus"
- 36-Noted Arctic explorer
- 37-June-bug
- 38-Time-period
- 39-One who rules in place of another
- 40-Harvest (Scott.)
- 41-Elongated fish
- 42-Constellation
- 43-Famous Indian chief of Virginia
- 44-None (Scott.)
- 45-Upon
- 46-Highest note in Guido's scale
- 47-Vegetable
- 48-Three-toed sloth
- 49-Vase
- 50-Salt (Latin)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 25-One who uses oars
- 26-Mary's name
- 27-Suffix. Like
- 28-Measure of capacity of ships
- 29-Brazilian coin
- 30-Dead
- 31-River of Switzerland and France
- 32-To sketch offhand
- 33-Twice (Latin)
- 34-Algebraic method of calculating
- 35-A mendicant dervish of Persia
- 36-Sheep's bleat
- 37-A breed of dogs
- 38-Rarely met with
- 39-Polonez
- 40-Earlier than
- 41-Month of May (German)
- 42-The scup-paug
- 43-Each (abbr.)
- 44-Azure (abbr.)
- 45-Spreads for drying, as hay
- 46-An ending of nouns
- 47-Negro sorcery of W. Indies
- 48-Poem
- 49-Grassy plain

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

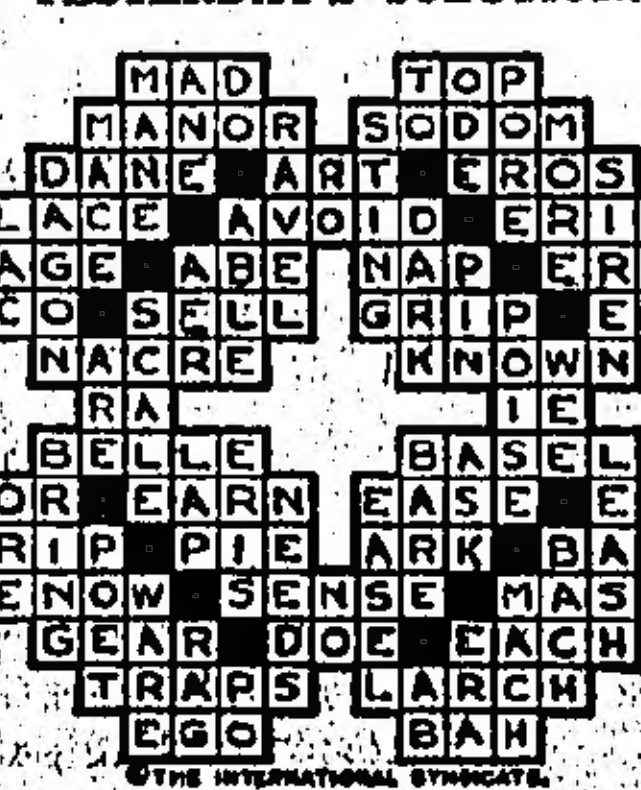
Mr. S. L. Elborne, a barrister, has been chosen prospective Conservative candidate for the Bosworth division of Leicestershire.

The Irish Free State new currency notes for 25, 51, and 105, replace British Treasury and Banks of England.

COUNT THE "MAHS."

See Page 1

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.



JESSFIELD PARK

CHARMING INCIDENT NARRATED

U. S. WRITER'S VIEWS

Shanghai.—On the first Sunday of my return visit to Shanghai after a long absence, I went out to Jessfield Park, as I had been wont to do on the warm summer Sundays of 1927. For this is Shanghai's beautiful international playground, a gathering place for twenty peoples, one of the fairest parks in the world. To those who have lived long in Shanghai, or to those who have visited there but briefly, it is a treasured possession or a delightful memory.

I have called Jessfield Park an international playground and for many years, it has been that. There have mingled on its broad lawns, in its woody paths, beside its little streams and lakes and abundant flower gardens, and on summer evenings about its bandstand, Europeans of every nationality; far-come folk from the other side of the world, visitors from Australia or South America, Americans and British, Russians and Germans and Italians who have, for one reason or another, come to regard Shanghai as home.

The park has been an international pleasure ground in every sense, such a one as does not exist elsewhere, an unforgettable feature of the most extraordinary community in the world. But the time has come—and I record it with a deep feeling of gratification—when it is more, even, than international. The time has come when it is a greater thing than that, when its charm has become enhanced tenfold and when the pleasure which it affords the Western visitor is vastly more than ever before. For to-day Jessfield Park is inter-racial, the possession alike of the mingled European folk of Shanghai and of the people in whose land these folk have taken up their abode.

Jessfield Park to-day is open to the Chinese. Until the first of June of the current year no Chinese, however attired, of whatever social stratum or whether possessed of a Western education and its attendant cosmopolitanism was permitted to enter either the arboreal gardens along the Bund or Jessfield Park.

Let me tell you briefly of one thing I saw. As I stood just inside the main entrance in the late golden afternoon when the people were streaming forth in such a

wondrous procession of brightly attired folk of every race and nation as you would find nowhere on earth, I noted beside a little lake a Chinese boy, gayly clad, bright-eyed, happier, perhaps, than he had ever been before. Presently a European child passing in the company of his parents saw this Chinese boy by the side of the little lake.

Impelled by the kinship of childhood which knows neither East nor West, he broke away from his parents and trotted across to the Oriental child. For an instant the two stood apart a little uncertainly, eyeing each other, these products of antipodal environments, in some wonder. Beyond doubt neither had ever before encountered face to face a child like the other. But directly, as the simple good will of childhood banished all doubt, these two gravely advanced and took one another by the hand; and the delighted smile of the Chinese seemed to me somehow to symbolize the hopeful craving for sympathy and friendliness from the West, which characterizes his people.

Presently the parents of the European child noted what was going forward, and from somewhere beyond the Chinese father and mother saw too. Both couples then came up, and for an instant I almost held my breath; for from previous experience there was reason to await somewhat apensive, such a one as does not exist elsewhere, an unforgettable feature of the most extraordinary community in the world. But the time has come—and I record it with a deep feeling of gratification—when it is more, even, than international. The time has come when it is a greater thing than that, when its charm has become enhanced tenfold and when the pleasure which it affords the Western visitor is vastly more than ever before. For to-day Jessfield Park is inter-racial, the possession alike of the mingled European folk of Shanghai and of the people in whose land these folk have taken up their abode.

For do you not see what this sort of thing means? It means the advancement of the cause we are striving for; the inter-racial, as well as international, friendship which shall result in a better understanding, an understanding that will by and by banish forever the menace of conflict and bring about the better day. By a curious association of ideas I thought of the abiding faith of old MacAndrew, the sturdy Scottish engineer, to whom all things were symbolized in ships and the engines of ships. It was a great light to him, was that faith, and it held everything of hope for the future. Hear him!

And by that light—now mark my words—

We'll build the Perfect Ship!
And MacAndrew speaks for us all, whatever the terms in which we declare our faith and hopes. By the light of an abiding friendship between all nations and all races we will build the Perfect World. And such a trifling incident as this I have recorded in Jessfield Park is significant, nay, highly suggestive, of the coming of that friendship. We need not be impatient at its long coming, remembering Whittier's "I have not seen—I may not see—my hopes for men take form in fact...but he who deems the future sure, the baffling present may endure."

And to stroll through Jessfield Park now that all men mingle happily there on a Sunday afternoon in summer, to mark an episode such as I have described—and there will be many more like it now—is to find much ground for deeming the future sure.—M. T. G. in the "Christian Science Monitor."

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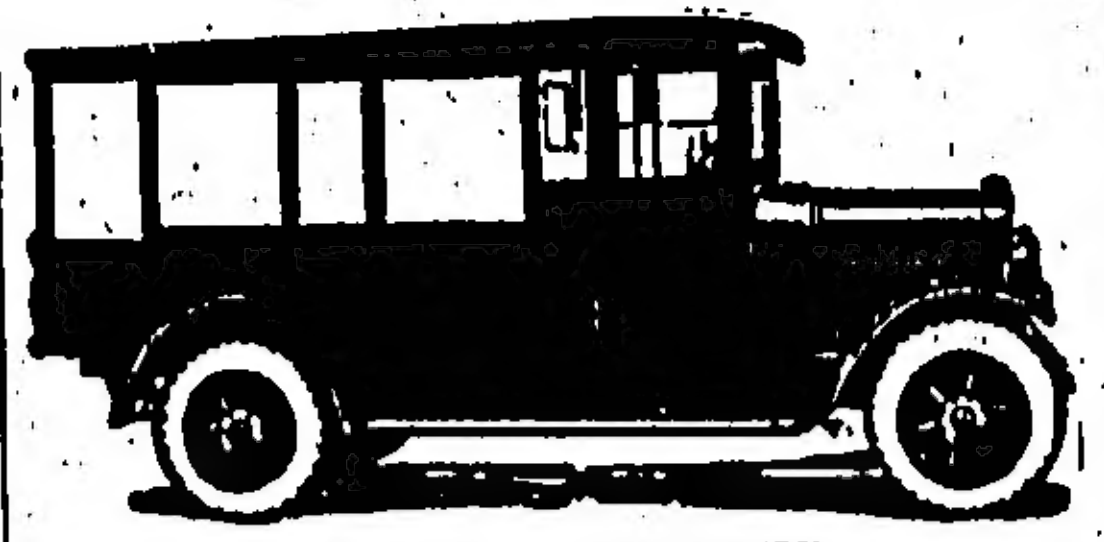
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 29.		
Straits	Kamo Maru	29.
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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3.		
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MONDAY, NOVEMBER 5.		
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25.		
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Straits	Van Heutz	25.
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Straits & Calcutta	Seattle Maru	25.
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26.		
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Khyber	26.
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Amoy and Japan	Kum Sang	26.
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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27.		
Manila	President Taft	27.
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28.		
Macao	Tai Shan	28.
Swatow, Amoy and Penang	Kishu Maru	28.
Shanghai	Yingchow	28.
Hoihow and Bangkok	Chinhua	28.
MONDAY, OCTOBER 29.		
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C. 19th Nov. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		29.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	President Jackson	29.
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BRIDGE PRESENTED TO CHINESE NEAR TIENTSIN
RESULT OF AMERICAN GENERAL'S HOLD-UP
FORMAL OPENING

Tientsin.
Before a large gathering of Chinese guests and amid ceremonies expressing mutual friendship between Chinese and Americans, Gen. Smedley D. Butler, commanding the Third Brigade U.S. Marines, formally presented to the Chinese a bridge recently constructed by the Marine engineers over a creek at Peichang.

The original bridge had been washed away last summer, which caused great interference with traffic along the road to Peking in that vicinity.
A few weeks ago General Butler made an official trip to Peking and, finding that his motor car was unable to cross the creek, he sent for the Marine Corps engineers who immediately constructed a temporary bridge. Some of the village elders who had seen the bridge erected then requested that the bridge be allowed to remain as a benefit to their village and the general traffic over the road to Peking. General Butler agreed to allow the semi-permanent structure to remain and it was later formally opened to traffic in the presence of General Butler and other officers of the Marine Corps, including Lieut.-Col. E. B. Miller, chief of staff; Col. E. B. Lyman; Col. W. B. Lemley; Major Thacher; Major Long; Captain Robinson aide de camp to General Butler, and Captain Howard.

General Butler spoke to the Chinese guests, emphasising the spirit of friendliness which Americans feel toward the people of this country. General C. Sheng, executive chairman of the Hopei provincial government, replied thanking General Butler and the Marines for their generosity in donating this bridge to the public.

During the ceremony the Chinese military band played the American national air and the band of the Sixth Regiment in turn played the Chinese.

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Shanghai, October 8, 1928.

INDIA'S RACIAL TROUBLE
AN EXPLOSION
FOLLOWING HINDUS DUSSERA FESTIVAL
5 KILLED: 21 INJURED

Lahore, Yesterday.
Five persons were killed and 21 injured by the explosion of a bomb while a large crowd of Hindus were returning from celebrating at the Hindu festival of Dussera.—
Reuter.

'STEVE'S' ROMANCE
RECEIVING ORDER AGAINST FAMOUS JOCKEY
STORY OF HIS FIRST MOUNT

A receiving order (as already reported) has been made against "Steve" Donoghue, the famous jockey. The petitioning creditors are understood to be a well-known organization with whom the jockey had transacted business in connection with his vocation. A jockey is not disqualified from riding by the rules of racing after a petition in bankruptcy has been lodged against him.

"Steve" Donoghue is the best-known jockey in the Empire. He has won the Derby six times. His life has been one long romance. He was born at Warrington, Lancashire, 44 years ago, and began to work in a steel works when he was 12. He first became interested in horses when a circus visited his native town. Donoghue, who had learned to ride horses bareback in a neighbour's field, attempted to win a purse of silver by riding a vicious donkey round the circus ring, but the donkey threw him.

Donoghue realized there must be some way of riding the donkey, as the clown had ridden, so the future jockey jumped on the animal and landed on its back facing the tail. He clasped its flanks, and the galloping donkey failed to throw him off. So Donoghue won the "purse of silver" containing half a crown in three-penny bits.
Fired by this experience of riding, he tramped to Chester and, in his dusty clothes and his clogs, without a cap, he walked up to John Porter, the trainer at Eason stables, and asked to be made a jockey. Porter threatened to whip the youth off the premises, but was eventually amused by his insistence and gave him a job in the stables. Donoghue's turf career had begun.
In 1905 he rode his first winner, while acting at Marseilles as second jockey to a French owner. Then he rose from obscurity to fame as the leading jockey of his day, having an uncanny ability to keep his weight to seven stone odd. He is essentially a jockey of brains.

ENGLAND'S FOG
PALL OVER AREA OF 3,000 SQUARE MILES

Inland districts of England, Wales, and parts of Scotland had their first really foggy autumn morning one day last week. In the early part of the day the fog extended from Kent to Monmouth, and from Hampshire to Lancashire, covering an area of about 3,000 square miles. In a few places the fog was so thick that it was not possible to see a distance of twenty-five yards, while at Kew and Croydon it was only possible to see about fifty to hundred yards at eight a.m.
The fog diminished the sunshine measurement at Kew to 4.4 hours, but the total there for the first twelve days of this month is ninety-seven hours, the largest total in this period of September for twelve years.
On the coast all round the country, the day was sunny, many towns from Lowestoft to Weymouth having over ten hours of sunshine up to six p.m.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR
The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day, was 2/0 3/16.

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NOW PRODUCING 30 PER CENT. OF WORLD'S SUPPLY
SOON "SELF-CONTAINED"

London, Yesterday.
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This statement is made by the Empire Marketing Board in an announcement which it makes to-day regarding the remarkable progress of British cotton growing. It is recalled how for centuries Britain was the home of cotton manufacture while all the raw cotton came from overseas, largely from the southern states of America. The American crop failed during the American civil war, spreading misery and famine among hundreds of thousands of British cotton workers.

Thirty years ago one of the master spinners of Lancashire sent ten tons of cotton seed to British West Africa. The experiment succeeded. More and more of the great open spaces of the Empire are being planted and sown to ensure a supply of raw cotton for the spindles and looms of Lancashire. A supply now comes from East and West Africa, Sudan, Rhodesia, South Africa, India, Australia and the British West Indies.

LAI WAH CUP
ROYAL NAVY'S XI FOR FIRST MATCH

ADDITION OF "HERMES" MEN
The team to represent Royal Navy in the opening match of the local Lai Wah Cup soccer tournament has been strengthened by the return to Hong Kong of H.M.S. "Hermes". The team to play the Army on Saturday is as follows:—
Ward ("Seamew"); Cornwall ("Foxglove"); Moss ("Cumberland"); Chawner ("Cumberland"); Cope ("Magnolia"); captain, Sturthyvant ("Hermes"); Van Tromp ("Hermes"); Firth ("Hermes"); Evans ("Bruce"); Mann ("Cumberland"); Cobb ("Cumberland").
The Army's team has been announced as follows:—
Gunner Fletcher (31st H. Bty. R.A.); Sgt. Hooper (1st Queen's); Pte. Martin (2nd K.O.S.B.); Pte. Byrne (1st Queen's); S/Sgt. Sims (R.A.M.C.) (Capt.); Sgt. Skiggs (2nd K.O.S.B.); Pte. Everest (2nd K.O.S.B.); Pte. Stock (2nd K.O.S.B.); Sgt. Leach (31st H. Bty. R.A.); Pte. Barclay (1st Queen's); Sgt. Caldwell (1st Queen's).
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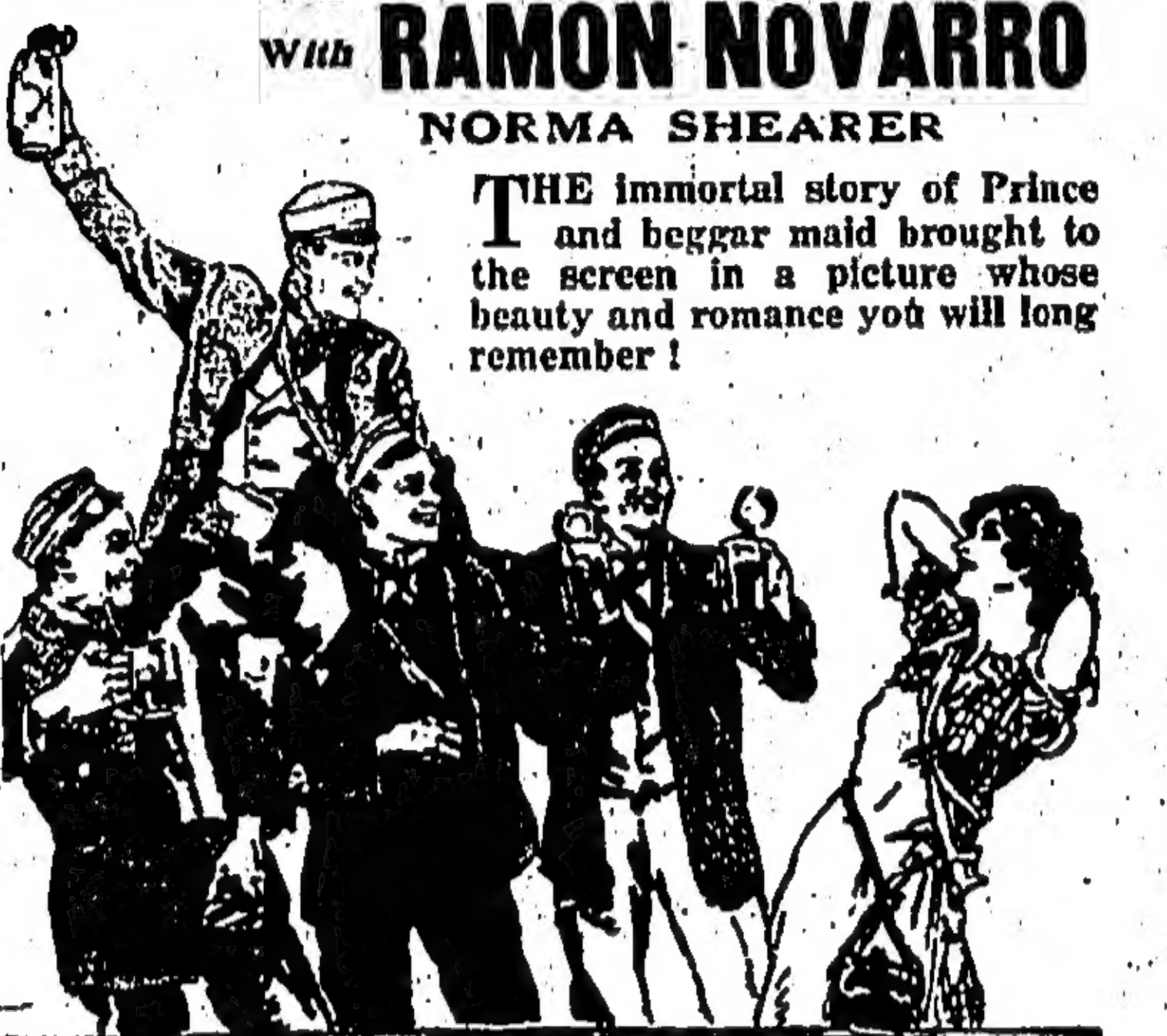
SOCCER
"SUNDAY HERALD" CUP DRAW

The draw for the "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup competition will be made at the monthly council meeting of the H. K. Football Association on Tuesday next, at 5.30 p.m.

D.R.C. PRESENTATIONS
Presentations will be made at the Dockyard Recreation Club at 5 o'clock this afternoon to Messrs. A. Saint, A. Cook and C. Slade, who depart on transfer on Saturday, Messrs. Saint and Slade to Portsmouth and Mr. Cook to Devonport.

In our reports of the annual general meeting of the J.R.H.K. Golf Club, Ladies' Section, it was erroneously stated that Mrs. Sheldon was elected to the committee. Mrs. Sherry was the lady elected.

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